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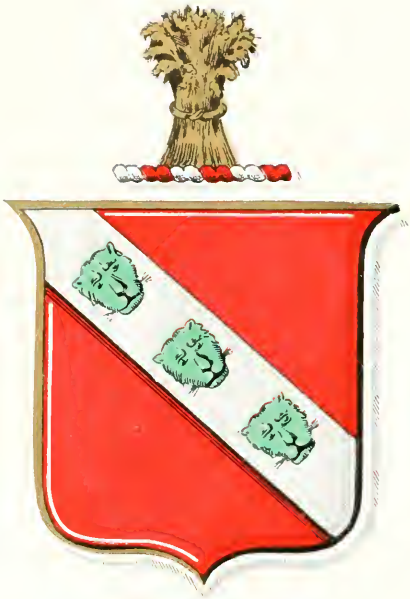

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THOMAS STEVENSON

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AND

HIS DESCENDANTS

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PREFACE.

Researches begun thirty years ago by the author among old deeds, wills, administratorships, public and church records in his native State, New Jersey, showed that the true history of an American colony could be traced best by investigating the habits, manners, intermarriages, social and religious relations of families. These searches being extended it was found that, while each colony was settled by people of several nationalities, the admixture was greatest in the middle colonies, the center of which was the valley of the Delaware.

Every school child knows that New York was settled by the Hollanders, and the English coming by the way of Puritan New England; that Pennsylvania was bought by William Penn, a Quaker, and that a company of that sect, led by Penn, purchased East and West Jersey. What is not so well known is, that the English Quakers only settled a strip of country extending back about ten miles on each side from the Delaware River, between Trenton and Salem. On the western side of the river the rest of the country was settled by Swedes, Germans, Scotch-Irish, Welsh and emigrants from New England. On the Jersey side of the Delaware the largest influx of settlers were the Dutch from New York, and the English both from Long Island (chiefly) and from New England. Mixed up with these were Swedes, Germans, with a few Scotch-Irish and Huguenots.

Under the land-warrant system of the New Jersey colonies for the sale and disposal of lands, which was afterwards adopted by the United States Government, each settler usually preferred to live on his own farm rather than in a town; therefore, local self-government was left to the townships and counties. Under the religious toleration inaugurated by the Quakers, the Puritan found it best to leave his united town and church government behind him.

That the mechanic arts were encouraged is disclosed in old wills of wealthy and prominent citizens, in which are clauses that because one son had been taught a trade it was considered equal to a bequest of land, from which he would be cut off.

The principles of democratic government and religious freedom, the industrial and social relations, which originated in the middle colonies, grew steadily, and extended persistently, until they have covered the greater part of the United States. From this region the younger sons emigrated until they settled the great central basin of the country. A distinguished Southern investigator wrote to the author that the western half of Virginia and North Carolina had been settled from the valley of the Delaware.

The Stevenson family, whose genealogy and history are given in this book, is but one link in a great chain that stretches across the center of the North American continent.

In order to make easy the tracing of family descent the names of Stevensons only are numbered, in Roman numerals, beginning with I, and ending with CCLXI. If there was a descent from any one of these leaving several children, the names are carried into the next generation, marked by the same number, in Arabic figures, 1, 2, 3, etc. Where female Stevensons have married (except in a few instances) their descendants are only traced down two generations, because their genealogy belongs to the families whose names they bear. They are also recorded in the generation of Stevenson in which they were born to that name, as being easier to connect with the main line. For the latter reason in late and recent generations even those bearing the name Stevenson are not always carried forward to the next one.

In the compilation of this book the author has had the aid of many assistants, to whom credit is given by foot-notes to these pages. There are some of these of whom special mention must be made for their antiquarian research. Among these are Rev. Evelyn P. Bartow, of Utica, N. Y.; Walter B. Denton, of Detroit, Mich.; Isaac S. Waters, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Benjamin D. Hicks, of Old Westbury, L. I.; Howard Deacon, genealogist, and William C. Stevenson, Junior, of Philadelphia; James Steen, Esq., genealogist, of Eatontown, N. J., and William P. Stevenson, of Roselle, N. J.

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CHAPTER I.

THOMAS STEVENSON.

As the grandchildren of Thomas Stevenson, an Englishman, who settled at Newtown, Long Island, were among the earlier land purchasers and settlers in Hunterdon and Burlington Counties, N. J., and their blood, if not their name, is extensively distributed in these counties, some researches concerning this family may be interesting.

The name Stevenson, spelled with a "v," is of German origin. When Christianity was preached to the Gentiles, and they were converted and baptized, they were often given new names, and those of the Apostles were favorites. Stephen (from the Greek Stephanus), the martyr, was one of these. The French and Italians altered the name of this Apostle to Stephani or Steffanoni. The German tribes wrote it usually Steven. The Danes, Angles and Saxons, from the provinces on the Baltic Sea, who, each in turn, invaded England and so inscribed it, would distinguish the father from the son by calling the latter Stevenson, occasionally Stephenson.

The Hollanders, who were Germans from the hill country, who settled on the coast contiguous to France, spelled the name Stephenzsen, a compromise between their native and the French nomenclature. The Normans who conquered the mingled races of Danes, Angles and Saxons in England were of the same people; who, coming from the North had invaded and subdued the northern part of France, called Normandy, when they adopted the civilization, and in part the language, of the conquered race and commingled the names of the two nationalities. The given name of Stephen was common to the early English people, and it is to-day to the modern race.

In early times men had but one name, and those who had the same given name became known one from the other by the place where they lived, as John of the hill (John Hill); or by

their occupation, as Stephen the smith (Stephen Smith); Peter the carpenter (Peter Carpenter). In this way the son of Stephen, or Stevenson, became less frequent as a surname than it otherwise would have been; still it was not an uncommon one.

Among the early Dutch settlers in New Amsterdam was Olaf Stephenzsen, Van Courtland, meaning of the province of Courtland, Holland. By the time of the English conquest of that territory he had dropped the Stephenzsen and retained the Van Courtland. In the Dutch part of Middleburgh (Newtown), Long Island, Joris Stephenzsen (George Stevenson), of Wingen, Holland, bought land in 1651. His family changed the name to Van Alst. Another early Dutch settler was Jan Stephenzsen (John Stevenson), schoolmaster, from Antwerp. This given name also disappears in the second generation. In Hotten's list of 30,000 emigrants registered in England, in the seventeenth century, as bound for the American colonies is Richard Steevenson, aged 19, who took the oath of allegiance at Gravesend, and sailed from London, August 7, 1635, in the ship "Globe," Jeremy Blackman, master, for Virginia. Christopher Steevenson, age 19, took the same oath and sailed from the same port for Virginia, September 2, 1635, on the ship "William and John," Rowland Langman, master. There was a Henry Stevenson, who with John Richards applied April 15, 1676, for a patent for 650 acres at Batchelle Harbor, Delaware. About 1700, there were a number of Stevensons (or Stephensons) from England and Ireland who located in Eastern Pennsylvania. Robert Stevenson left a will in Philadelphia in 1695, and Allan Stevenson's will was filed in the same city in 1710. Gyan Stevenson, in 1715, owned a mill in Kennett Square, Chester County, Penna.

There was an Edward Stephenson, who signed his name as a witness to the Indian deed of December 13, 1640, for the lands at Southampton, Long Island, conveyed to an English colony from "Massachusetts," but there is no record of such a person having settled at that place. It is possible, although the spelling of the names is different, that he was the same person afterwards at Newtown, Long Island.

THOMAS STEVENSON.

No. 1. Thomas Stevenson, according to Dutch records in New York,* was born in 1615, and came from London, England. Inquiries made of genealogists in the latter country furnish strong evidence that he was descended from an officer of that name in the army of William the Conqueror, who for services rendered at the Battle of Hastings was rewarded by a grant of land in Scotland, south of Glasgow, the parish and town of which bear the name of Steventon to this day. One of the family, Sir Hugh Stevenson, was High Constable of Scotland. In the border wars between the Scotch and English, which for centuries devastated this section, the estate passed out of the family and it became scattered. What gives support to this is that an old signet ring with a coat of arms, and some old silver plate stamped with the same, are now in the possession of a lineal descendant of Thomas Stevenson.† This coat of arms is identical with that of the Stevensons of counties Derby and Lincoln, England, as given in the "Heralds" visitation of 1662, viz:

"Gu on a bend ar. three leopards' faces vert. crest. a garb or."

Thomas Stevenson probably landed in Virginia about 1643. He brought a suit on February 5, 1645 in the New Haven Court,‡ by attachment against the goods of Mr. Lewis of London, in the hands of William Andrews. Mr. Priden appeared as attorney for Stevenson and asked for judgment. The latter had sold and delivered to Mr. Lewis "a boat *at Virginia*, valued at £8, who had agreed to give him for it a mare of his then in the hands of Mr. Russell, of Charlestown, Massachusetts." The mare was demanded of Russell, who said he had sold her for £4.

In the year 1643 there was a united attack, by all the Indian tribes around New Amsterdam, upon the Dutch settled there, and the latter were shut up in the fort with but three companies of soldiers for defence. In this emergency Director-General Kieft applied to the English for aid and appointed Capt. John Underhill, an experienced soldier, who had been

* Reformed Dutch Church, New York.

† Stevenson Crothers, of Philadelphia.

‡ The Court Record says Thomas Stevenson, of Yenicott (Indian name of Southold), Long Island, p. 152.

a distinguished officer of the English force in the war with the Pequods, to the command of the combined Dutch and English forces. The latter were composed of settlers in Connecticut, and a few who had settled on Long Island. He began his campaign in the autumn, and by early winter had completely routed the savages, and compelled them to sue for peace by an overwhelming victory gained in Westchester County, N. Y. Capt. Underhill returned to Stamford, Connecticut, then his residence.

Among those who served under Capt. John Underhill was Thomas Stevenson, as was most natural for a young unmarried man, possessed of a good education for the times, and in an age when military glory was the height of the ambition of the impecunious and adventurous sons of the English gentry. * On January 2, 1644, Capt. Daniel Patrick was shot by a Dutchman in the house of Capt. John Underhill in Stamford, on a Sunday afternoon. His assassin having been arrested, he was placed in Underhill's house as a prisoner, and Thomas Stevenson and George Slowson were "appointed in their course to watch the Dutchman." They put him in a chamber upstairs and locked the door, and sat "by the fire in the lower room at the foot of the stairs," thinking him secure, but he got out of the window and escaped. For this, on April 1, 1644, Stevenson and Slowson were arraigned before the New Haven magistrates, for negligence, and were bound for their appearance.

Whether this court matter or the friendship for Capt. Underhill was the moving cause, Thomas Stevenson shortly afterwards joined the colony from Connecticut, with Underhill, that settled Southold, Long Island. They selected lots adjoining each other, and although Stevenson remained here but a short time, yet we find a record in 1658 "that a meadow called Stevenson's, adjoining Margaret Young, was in the tenure of Thomas Moore." †

Having secured his homestead, Thomas Stevenson took himself a wife. On August 15, 1645, he married *Maria Barents* (Mary Bernard) in the Reformed Dutch Church, New Amster-

* New Haven Court Records, p. 127.

† Deed recorded 1658, "William Purrier's woodland on an arm of the town creek, fronting a lot, sometime in the posession of Thomas Stevenson, formerly an inhabitant of Southold."

dam, Capt. John Underhill being present as a witness. Mary Bernard, whose maiden name was Bullock, first married William Bernard, of Westchester County, N. Y., June 1, 1642.* He was probably killed in the Indian massacre there in 1643,† to revenge which the campaign of the combined Dutch and English already spoken of was undertaken. By her first husband, Mary Bernard had two children, twins, Maria (Mary) and Elizabeth, baptized October 11, 1643, Thomas Hall, a prominent Englishman in the Dutch service, and Engelte Borger being the sponsors. One of these daughters married Abraham Jongbloett (Youngblood) and had three children: Cirina, baptized April 28, 1660; Alexander, baptized March 15, 1662, and Adam Johannes (John) baptized June 18, 1664.

The next record of Thomas Stevenson is on August 23, 1646, when he appears as a plaintiff in the New Amsterdam Courts in a suit against Elias Perchman for two-thirds of a ship. The town lands of Southold, which at first were held in common, were divided in 1647, and Thomas Stevenson was one of the freeholders there who received his share. A few years after this he leaves this town and appears in Brooklyn, among the Dutch, from 1651 to 1653, as is evinced by several law suits brought by him, one of which was against C. Jacobson for the purchase of a house (1653) on the East River, New York, now modern Catharine Street. In the meantime he secures from the Dutch government, a patent for a bouery or plantation adjoining Middleburgh (Newtown), Long Island, on Flushing Bay, afterwards called Stevens' Point, to which he removed in 1654. Here he soon got into contention with the people of Newtown, which was referred by the Dutch Governor to arbitrators, who on September 22, 1656, made the following report, which gives the full history of the matter :‡

"We the undersigned commissioners deputed by the Hon'ble. Director General and Council of New Netherlands to settle to the best of our ability the differences between the magistrates of New Middleburg and Thomas Stevenson have proceeded to the bouery or plantation of the said Stevenson situate on Long Island in the jurisdiction of New Netherlands

* Dutch Reformed Church, New York.

† Eighteen out of 35 families of English were massacred.

‡ "Documentary History of New York," Vol. XIV., p. 360.

on the 18th of September. Then the magistrates of the said village appeared before us who made complaints in the presence of said Stevenson. 1st., That said Stevenson had closed the wagon road from New Middleburg to the East river near his house and turned it farther down to a deep run or kill, over which he had built a dam of wood or other material and as he has constructed the same at a right angle it is very difficult to turn the carts or wagons coming from above, as the said causeway may be with great danger to their animals and cause them to come to grief; they request that the road be opened. Stevenson maintained that the old road separating his house from his barn prevented him from fencing them in together, or defending his place and that he had therefore made the change. He asserted that the road was quite practical. After having listened to the parties and inspected the place we are of the opinion that the common interests must be preferred to individual interests, and that the old road being straight and more convenient than the other should be reopened for the use of New Middleburg, under the condition however that the same be laid out from the house of said Stevenson on to the wagon road running from the new road to the meadow, as the new road is convenient from there to the river. Second, The neighbors of Stevenson complained that he had damned up a certain run of water generally used, for his own private convenience so that their kill is always dry below for their cattle. Then Stevenson said that the dam built by him does not injure his neighbors, because the kill has no source or spring, but receives its water from the rain which runs off on account of the steep grade of the kill, and because he has made a sluice in the dam which he opens when it rains. Having inspected the place we think for the reasons alleged by Stevenson that the aforesaid dam is neither injurious or prejudicial to the neighbors, because they can build a similar dam below the first and gather thereby a sufficient quantity of water for their use. Third, The neighbors complained that the said Stevenson has run his fences into the river and thereby obstructed the passage of their cattle coming from the woods, which causes the same frequently to return into the woods to their great disadvantage. The said Stevenson said that he had placed his fences in the water to save farther labor and expense and that there

was room enough behind the land for the cattle to come home. After having heard the parties and examined the title deeds of Stevenson we find Stevenson's boundaries run along the river and not into it; we are therefore of the opinion that the said Stevenson has deprived his neighbors and others against the law of nations of the use of the shore and should now leave it to the public. Fourth, The magistrates of New Middleburgh complained that the said Stevenson had, against the general rule of the village fenced in all his meadow with an enclosure and they maintained should have been divided into three equal parts, one of which was to remain in his possession, while the two others were to be used by the community generally, and he should receive for this two equally larger shares in the large meadow. Then Stevenson answered that he owned and claimed the said meadow by virtue of his patent which being produced it was found that the Honorable Director-General of New Netherlands had granted the said Stevenson in question containing 20 morgens. The said magistrates replied that Stevenson had obtained the said patent by trickery as he had not stated that the meadow belonged to Middleburgh territory, which seems reasonable for the Director General had promised them that no patent should prejudice their rules, and as we could find no decision in the controversy we were inclined to submit it to his Honor the Director General as being the best exponent of his promise and his patent." (Signed) "Councillor LaMontagne and Capt. Thomas Willet."

The first three decisions of the Councillors were approved by the Director-General. "On the 4th and last, it is understood that the above-mentioned patent has been obtained by misrepresentation and false report, that the proper intentions and promise of the Director-General in every respect was and shall remain in force to the effect that no private property shall prejudice a village community; it is further notoriously evident that a mistake has been made either by the clerk or surveyor in measuring or reporting the same and boundaries of the meadow land and that further disputes may arise there-from. The Director General and the Council order that the patent of Thomas Stevenson shall be amended, but so that in place of a third part of the meadow allowed by the magistrate to him as to others he shall keep one half of it near his fields, because he

has hereto been the oldest and first owner of it, and in regard to the other half of it shall be considered in the allotment with the other inhabitants of Middleburg."

This dispute remained unsettled for some years, for on July 9, 1658, Thomas Stevenson brings a suit against "Jonn Gray and Sales" for cutting down his post and rails, which the defendants asserted obstructed the road. The Director-General orders them not to make another road and fines each of them 1£ Sterling, while Stevenson is ordered to lay out the road as ordered by Mess. LaMontagne and Capt. Thomas Willett.* The next month, August 31st, Stevenson complains that the Magistrates of Middleburgh have opened another road through his fences, for which the Director-General orders these rulers to appear before the Council and show cause for their action, and to conform to the order of July 9th, as above mentioned.

In all these suits it is apparent that Thomas Stevenson had the favor of Peter Stuyvesant, the Dutch Governor, as far as his sense of justice would permit. Several minor suits are recorded, all of which show the determined and persistent character of Stevenson, and furnish likewise a clear picture of the times. They indicate that while the English on Long Island had *home rule*, yet there was a final appeal to the Dutch authorities as arbitrators of their disputes. Whatever may have been the personal jealousies of these two nationalities who were neighbors on Long Island, it is clear that the government had perfect confidence in their English subjects.

The last official record of Thomas Stevenson is on November 4, 1662, "Samuel Too, plaintiff *vs.* Direk Van Schellugru, defendant, in regard to the award made by the arbitrators for a certain piece of land situate at Mespacht Kill, and belonging to the heirs of Richard Beert, for payment of rent" according to the award of *Thomas Hall* and *Thomas Stevenson* arbitrators on 27 of May, previous. The award was 500 guelders, which the Director-General Stuyvesant and Council allow, but authorize the said arbitrators to estimate and value the rent for the use of lands, and to offset it against the improvements made by Samuel Too."

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* "Documentary History of New York," Vol. XIV., p. 424.

As this is the last personal notice of Thomas Stevenson he probably died shortly after this. The following discloses that he died intestate, leaving property in England :

"*New York Surrogate's office, Vol. 1 of Wills, p. 25.**

"*July 7, 1668, Mr. Robert Coe, and Mr. Daniel Denton† of Jamaica having been heretofore overseers and guardians of the estate and children of Thomas Stevenson, deceased, late of Newtown: they are admitted and confirmed as administrators, &c., to the estate of Thomas Stevenson by Richard Nicholls.*

"*July 9, 1668, Robert Coe resigns as administrator &c., to the estate of Thomas Stevenson, and will not hold himself liable to said estate, or his heirs, at London or in any part of England.*

"*August 15, 1668, ‡ Anthony Waters of Jamaica, appointed administrator of Thomas Stevenson, deceased, late of Newtown, having consent of nearer relatives.*"

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* Copied by Isaac S. Waters, Brooklyn, New York.

† A sketch of Daniel Denton is given in the Appendix.

‡ Mr. Anthony Waters, Senior, an English lawyer, was a resident of Marshfield, Massachusetts, in 1643. According to a record in Norwich, Connecticut, of the testimony of Nehemiah Smith, made in 1679, Anthony Waters lived with him on Long Island in 1652, and soon afterwards returned to "Old England." He seems to have made but a short stay, as in 1658 he owned a house-lot in the "North Sea" district of Southampton, Long Island. Lyon Gardiner, of Gardiner's Island, purchased, on July 28, 1659, of the Indian Sachems, Weandance and his son Weeaycombown, the bodies and bones, except fins and "tailes," of all the whales that might be cast ashore from Ketchaminschoke to Enoughquamuck, for 21 years, and transferred the right to Mr. Anthony Waters, who at this time was practicing law in the New Haven Courts. In 1661 he was following his profession in Southampton.

The house-lots in Jamaica, Long Island were first set off to its inhabitants in 1656, and contained six acres each. After several purchases from the Indians, more land was allowed them, Mr. Waters appearing in the largest allotments, made in 1663. He acted as adviser and attorney for the town in the various disputes that arose between it and neighboring towns, for which the inhabitants voted that he should have "Ye great hollow at ye South West Corner of ye little plains." Gov. Nicholls appointed him, March 7, 1664, "Clarke" of the Court of Sessions for the North Riding of Long Island. This office he held until 1673, when the town relieved him of the further care of its books of deeds and papers, eight in number, which are recorded in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany. Director General Stuyvesant, in 1663, made a complaint to Gov. Winthrop about Mr. Waters, for having, in company with John Coe and with eighty horse and foot, put down certain Dutch magistrates and put others in their place. He was a juryman in the Court of Assizes in New York at a trial in October, 1665, of Ralph Hall and Mary his wife for witchcraft, when the jury decided the evidence insufficient to convict the accused. The same year, February 5th, he was one of the patentees of Jamaica to whom was confirmed the lands that had been purchased at various times: The town selected him and Mr. Oldfield, in 1675, "to goe down to Fort William Hendrick, there to appear before the general of the Dutch fleete there, on the behalf of the town as the Warrant reseaved from the two generals required, as if the town were all present." Mr. Waters died in 1675, his widow, Rachel, surviving.

His children were: sons Anthony, Junior; Jonathan, whose son Jonathan settled in Hopewell, New Jersey, dying in 1762; Thomas Waters, who married Mary, daughter

His oldest son, John Stevenson, fell heir to his "bouery" and was recorded as a freeholder in Newtown, December 4, 1666.

Thomas and Mary (Bernard) Stevenson's children were:

II. John.
III. Thomas.
IV. Edward.
V. Sarah, married Patrick Hires.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 2. JOHN STEVENSON[2] (Thomas[1]) first appears to public notice as a freeholder at Newtown, December 4, 1666, and again in January 4, 1667, when he was the owner of his father's plantation, north of Newtown, who with his neighbors fenced in his lands.

The early English settlers on Long Island formed companies or associations which secured a patent for and purchased a certain tract of land. Each contributor or stockholder was granted a lot upon which to build his house, with a small quantity of land, twenty to forty acres, to till for his household wants; the rest of the land was held in common for the use of pasturage for cattle and for a supply of fuel. Each owner held a right to the common land in proportion to his original cash payment into the association, with a right to pasture a propor-

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of William Foster, and died January 3, 1713; David Waters, who married Hannah, daughter of Thomas Smith and died in 1742, and possibly a daughter, Ann Waters, wife of Nehemiah Smith.

Anthony Waters, Junior, married Elizabeth, daughter of Major Daniel and Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead, who bequeathed to his son-in-law several pieces of land, among which was "my Meadow Lying in Old Town Neck, in Jamaica, which I bought of his father, Mr. Anthony Waters, deceased." At the time of the "great sickness" in 1702, Anthony Waters, Junior, was delegated by Jamaica to receive the Governor and Council of New York at the ferry, upon the removal of the seat of government from the latter city to the former town. His children were: Daniel Waters, born 1694, married Mary, daughter of John Talman, and died September 1, 1748; Anthony Whitehead Waters, who married, May 21, 1726, Margaret, daughter of Elbert and Joana (Varick) Willett, and died in 1771; Benjamin Waters, wife Sarah, died in 1767, who was the great-great-great-grandfather of Daniel Talman Waters, of Flushing; Elizabeth Waters, who married Samuel, son of Samuel and Hannah Smith, among whose fifteen children was Melancthon Waters, jurist, judge and a distinguished member of the New York Convention that adopted the Constitution of the United States.—MSS. notes of Isaac S. Waters, Brooklyn, N. Y.

tionate number of cattle. The settlers erected their houses near each other for safety against the attacks of the Indians, and to be convenient to church, school and the local governing authority. This system checked the home growth of population, as sons must either inherit the homestead, buy out a neighbor or move away. When New Jersey lands were opened for sale in tracts to suit, by the Quaker proprietors, they were eagerly sought after and purchased by the Long Island people for their sons, especially the junior ones.

John Stevenson appears to have been unmarried and to have died young. His will is dated December 13, 1670; in it he leaves bequests to his brothers Thomas and Edward and to a married sister Sarah, whose last name is indistinctly written as "Patrick Hires." A child of hers is mentioned but not named. His executor was his brother Thomas. The witnesses were Francis Doughty and William Moore.

THOMAS STEVENSON, SECOND.

No. 3. THOMAS STEVENSON[2] (Thomas[1]) seems to have been the second son, and was probably born about 1648. By the death of his elder brother, John, he came into possession of part of the paternal homestead. In the tax-list of Newtown for 1683 he was assessed for forty acres of land, one horse, one one-year-old, and one two-year-old colt, four oxen, eight cows, five two-year-old, and four four-year-old calves, twenty sheep and seven swine.*

In February, 1672, Thomas Stevenson married Elizabeth, only daughter of Capt. William Lawrence, by his first wife, whose name is unknown.

Capt. William Lawrence "was born about 1623, in England, probably at St. Albans, in Hertfordshire. He came to America in 1635, when 12 years of age, in the ship "Planter," and afterwards settled in Long Island. He, with his brother, John Lawrence, and sixteen others, were the patentees of Flushing, Long Island, where he spent the remainder of his life and became the largest landed proprietor. His resi-

* "Documentary History of New York," Vol. II, p. 298.

dence was at Lawrence or Tew's Neck. He was a prominent and leading citizen and was a Magistrate for many years. He is frequently styled "Captain," and probably acquired the title in military service. His correspondence with Governor Stuyvesant in 1662-63 is on file among the archives of Albany, and is said to embrace some ably written papers.

He was twice married. The name of his first wife has not been discovered. He married, second, Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Richard Smith. The marriage license is dated March 4, 1664, as appears from the following entry in the Book of General Entry, No. 1, at page 98, on file in the office of the Secretary of State, at Albany, New York:

"*Whereas I have received information and satisfaction that there is an intent of marriage between William Lawrence of fflushing and Elizabeth the daughter of Richard Smith* of Mishaquak'd upon Long Island, upon the request I give *them license so to do, and do hereby require you to proclaim the said William Lawrence and Elizabeth Smith man and wife and so record them and to proceed therein according to your formall custom on the like occasions.*

"*Given under my hand at Hemstead this 4th day of March 1664.* "*RICHD. NICHOLLS.*"

He died intestate about 1680, aged 57 years. Letters of administration were granted March 25, 1680, to Elizabeth, his widow, and William, his eldest son. The inventory of his personal property is on file in the Surrogate's office, New York. His sword, plate and other personalty were valued at £4,430 sterling. On March 10, 1681, Elizabeth Lawrence, widow of William, was made guardian of her seven children—Mary, Thomas, Joseph, Richard, Samuel, Sarah and James. *

After the death of William Lawrence his widow, Elizabeth, married Sir Philip Carteret, and Elizabethtown, New Jersey, was named after her. This marriage made Thomas Stevenson (second) a stepson to the Governor of East Jersey.

Thomas Stevenson held in succession the various offices that are within the province of a small town. He was Overseer of Newtown, an office equivalent to Mayor, in the years 1676 and 1678. In the latter year he also acted as Constable, a very

* "Our Family Ancestors." By Th. Maxwell Potts, p. 307.

important post in colonial days. On March 3, 1684, Thomas Stevenson, his brother Edward and others, were appointed commissioners to look out for a place of settlement next to the Dutch. This indicates that these localities were already cramped for room for their increasing families, and it gives the key to the emigration that began at this time to the newly-opened lands of New Jersey, especially the western part of it. On October 20, 1685, Thomas Stevenson was commissioned a Justice of the Peace for Queens County; and in the succeeding year he was one of the grantees to whom the new charter for Newtown was given. Boundary disputes having arisen between this place and its neighbors, a commission was appointed May 16, 1706, to settle them, and Thomas Stevenson was a member of it. His last public trust was in 1713, when he was one of a committee to defend Newtown in its land suits.

In religion Thomas Stevenson was evidently at first attached to the Congregational Church, for his father, Thomas, Senior, had been one of the sureties to the carpenter who erected the building for that denomination in Newtown in 1655. On July 9, 1680, Thomas Lawrence, administrator of Joseph Winslow, filed a petition of complaint againt Thomas Stevenson, for which the latter gave his bond to the former on September 13, 1683, and which was settled the succeeding month. This suit at law clearly indicates that he had not joined the "Society of Friends," as such suits are contrary to the tenets of that sect. Between this date and 1687,* it is believed, that his first wife died; that he married again and joined the Quakers, for a few years after this he became an active member of that religious organization. The "American

*_Addenda_ by Isaac S. Waters, Brooklyn, New York:

"At a Court of Sessions held at Gravesend in the West Ryding of Yorkshire upon Long Island by his _Maties_ Authority beginning on the 19th day of December in the 29th year of his _Maties_ raign Annoq-Doume, 1677. Thomas Stevenson complaynes of Jno. Ketchom of Newtown for wounding and laming a Grey Horse of the complainant to his damage 8 ℔. The Court having heard the matter fully debated between Plt and Defdt and six witnesses sum'd and examined, finding by several circumstances that the Deft [refusing to attend the orders of the Town Court appointing arbitration] doe adjudge the Deft to be guilty of what is alleged against him. And they doe appoint the same Arbitrators, nominated by the town Court and the constable of the peace to compute and determine indifferently between them what damage the Plt. may have sustained as to his horse." Kings Co. Reg. Office, Vol. I, p. ——, Court Proceedings.

Historical Record of Friends" tells us* that on 28 day, 9 mo., 1696, a lot 40x80 was purchased on Green Street, New York, for £25, on which to erect a "Meeting House." Samuel Haight was authorized to receive subscriptions, and "the contrivance and dimensions and agreeing with the workmen be left to Thomas Stevenson, John Feaks,† John Way, George Langley and John Rodman." From the same authority we learn that Samuel Jenings, who had been the first Governor of West Jersey, visiting "Friends" on Long Island in 1699, stopped at the house of Thomas Stevenson at Newtown. Again, on 2 day, 5 mo., 1702, "Thomas Stevenson, father and son," were distrained for a horse to pay for the building of a church (English); but on an appeal to the Governor they were restored. This persecution was an additional motive for the sons to remove to New Jersey. A Friends' Meeting was held at Thomas Stevenson's house on 1 day, 11mo., 1706, in regular course, there being no public place of worshlp for Quakers in Newtown.

About this period Thomas Stevenson began to buy land in New Jersey. He was no doubt persuaded to do so by Samuel Jenings and other Quaker missionaries who were in the habit of preaching their doctrines on Long Island. His purchases, made at different times, were in one locality, on what is known as the boundary line between East and West Jersey—part in Monmouth County, but most of it in Burlington County. These land purchases are all recorded in the office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, N. J.

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* Vol. I, p. 119.

†*Addenda* by John Cox, Jr., of New York :

Minutes of Flushing Friends' Meeting. "At a quarterly meeting 28d. 9mo. 1696. Thomas (Stevens) and Jno. Rodman acquainted this meetin they have together With Will Bickly and Edward (Stevens) purchased of David Loid for ye use of friends for ye sum of Twenty-five pounds a sertaine pece of land in New Yorke bounded upon Green Street containing 40 feet in front and 80 feet in Length of which this meeting excepts." The deed for this land, still in possession of the Society of Friends, is dated August 5, 1696; "from David Lloyd of Philadelphia Gentlemen, and Isaac Norris, executors of Thomas Lloyd of Philadelphia, to William Bickley of New York, merchant, John Rodman of Flushing, physician, Thomas Stevens and Edward Stevens of Newtown, Yeomen." On 28 day, 3 mo., 1698, William Bickley, John Rodman, Thomas Stevenson and Edward Stevenson conveyed this to four other Friends. Thomas "Stephens" was one of twelve arbitrators appointed by the meeting in 1701 to settle the difference between Daniel Kirkpatrick and Thomas Hedger. Thomas Stevenson's name, variously spelled, appears frequently on committees.

	Acres
February 23, 1699. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., of Long Island, buys of John Hutchinson, on Doctor's Creek, .	600
March 27, 1699. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., buys of Wm. Watson, of Doctor's Creek, ...	410
May 10, 1699. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., buys of John Hutchinson, on Doctor's Creek, ...	100
May 12, 1699. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., buys of John Watson, on Assenpecht Creek, ...	250
March 27, 1700. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., buys of Henry Scott, corner to John Watson, ...	1000
November 14, 1701. Thomas Stevenson, Sr., buys of Benjamin Field, bounded by Scott's land.	469
	2829

These tracts, as will appear hereafter, were given to his younger sons.

Thomas Stevenson married a second wife, named Ann. It is not positively known who she was, but a will of Robert Field,* of Flushing, Long Island, indicates that she was one of that family. He died in 1734, and makes Daniel Stevenson, son of Thomas and Ann, his executor, and styles him his *cozen*. Very frequently, in colonial days, nephews were called cousins. As Robert Field was an old man, and Daniel Stevenson comparatively a young one, the first relationship would be a natural one.

Thomas Stevenson died at Newtown, Long Island, 6 day, 2 mo., 1725. His children were:

By his first wife, Elizabeth Lawrence:

VI. Thomas.
VII. William.
VIII. John.
IX. Elizabeth, who died unmarried, 27 day, 9 mo., 1703.

By his second wife, Ann:

X. Nathaniel.
XI. Daniel.
XII. Stephen.
XIII. Susannah.
XIV. Ann.

Four of these sons removed to New Jersey, but neither of the daughters left their native place.

* Robert Field was the son of Robert Field, Senior, one of the patentees of Newtown. He was born about 1658. His will is dated October 10, 1734. His brother, Benjamin Field, located part of the Amwell Tract, near Lambertville, Hunterdon County, where he died in 1704.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

No. 4. EDWARD STEVENSON[2] (Thomas[1]), son of Thomas, the emigrant, was born about 1650. He was assessed in the taxables of Newtown in 1675 with thirty acres of land. When the next census was taken, in 1683, he had enlarged his lot to forty acres, and had one horse, three oxen, six cows, one three-year-old and one two-year old and one one-year old calves, twenty sheep and one swine. In the years 1683 and 1684 he served as Overseer of Newtown. As has been previously stated, he and his brother Thomas, in 1684, were sent to look out for a place of settlement next to the Dutch; and in the same year he was one of the grantees for a charter to his native town. He and Jonathan Hazard were despatched in 1685 to the Dutch town of Flatbush, to demand "why they disturb our inhabitants in matters of land claims."* He served as Town Clerk of Newtown from 1691 to 1695.

On June 27, 1691, Newtown voted "that Thomas and Edward Stevenson shall have the stream or brook called Ludovok Creek as their own right, to have and to hold to them and theirs forever, with what convenience of land can be spared without infringing on the highway, for the building of a Fulling Mill." This was said to have been the first mill of the kind on Long Island, and was operated by the two families for twenty years. On October 11, 1711, Thomas Stevenson and John Stevenson, son of Edward, who was deceased, sold it to Jesse Kip.

Edward Stevenson's death is recorded in the Flushing, L. I., "Friends' Records" as taking place in the 12 day, 7 mo., 1700. This proves him to have been a member of this sect. His widow, Charity, continued in the faith, and on 1 day, 5 mo., 1702, Thomas Story, a noted Quaker preacher, held "a large meeting near Newtown, where it is kept once a year, and returned in the evening to Widow Charity Stevenson's at Newtown."† Again, in 1724, Thomas Chalkley, another distinguished minister of that sect, "held a meeting at the house of Widow Charity Stevenson," in the same town.

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* Riker's Annals of Newtown.

† Flushing, L. I., "Friends' Records."

Edward Stevenson made no purchase of land in New Jersey, but the year after his death, on November 14, 1701, his widow, Charity, bought 1000 acres of Benjamin Field, being part of his Amwell Tract, in Hunderton County, N. J. This she divided between her two younger sons.

Charity Stevenson, born about 1653, was the daughter of Robert and Susannah Field, of Newtown, Long Island. Her father was born in 1631, and died 13 day, 2 mo., 1691.* There has been great research and much written about the ancestry of the American Fields. Like many other early emigrants there were several of the name who left England for the Colonies. The name itself was not uncommon in the old country. What is known about Charity Stevenson's forefathers is that she was the grand-daughter of Robert and Charity Field. This Robert, the emigrant, is supposed to be he who was born in Yorkshire, England, and baptized in Halifax Church, March 9, 1605, his education being left to his Uncle Edward. What is certain is, that his name is on the list of the inhabitants of Newport, Rhode Island, who had been admitted subsequent to May 20, in 1638. He was made a freeman of the town, December 19, 1639. He next appears in the company that settled Flushing, Long Island, his name being among the patentees who received the grant of land there, October 10, 1645. This colony was for some time in the jurisdiction of Rhode Island. At a General Assembly held at Newport, May 18, 1653, Robert Field was appointed one of eight members of a committee to whom was referred matters concerning the Dutch in Long Island. He was deceased, at Flushing, by 1672, as on February 6th of that year his widow, Charity, signs a release of a lot of land to her son Anthony.

Charity Stevenson had one sister, Mary, married to Col. William Willett, of Westchester, New York, son of Col. Thomas Willett, of Flushing; another, Sarah, wife of Jonathan Whitehead, of Jamaica, Long Island (son of Major Daniel), who was a member of the New York Assembly from 1705 to 1709; and a third sister, Susannah, who married Isaac Marriott, of Burlington, New Jersey, brother-in-law of Governor Jenings, who represented his district in the West Jersey Assembly in

* Flushing, L. I., "Friends' Records."

1682. After Isaac Marriott's decease she married Peter Fearon. Three of her brothers, Benjamin, Nathaniel and Ambrose Field, settled in Chesterfield Township, Burlington County, N. J. The first-named was the purchaser of the large tracts of land in Hunterdon County.

Edward and Charity Stevenson's children were:

XV. John.
XVI. Elnathan.
XVII. William.
XVIII. Charity.
XIX. Susannah.

CHAPTER II.

SAMUEL JENINGS.

SAMUEL JENINGS was the first Governor of West Jersey. As his family is intimately connected with the Stevensons, a short sketch of him will be appropriate.

He came from that part of the town of Coleshill, England, that lies in Buckinghamshire; the other part of the town is in Hertfordshire, the adjoining county. Although considerable search has been made, nothing is known of his parentage. His surname, variously spelled, was quite common in all parts of England in the 17th century. In the adjoining county, Hertfordshire, one of his name, Sir John Jennings, of St. Albans, was knighted in 1626, and became a Member of Parliament. If there was any relationship between the families it does not appear. It is more likely that Samuel Jenings was nearly connected with George Fox, the founder of the sect of Quakers, and was instructed in the faith by him, as in Governor Jenings' will he bequeaths a legacy to "his cozen" (niece), Susannah Fox. His mother was one of the early "Friends," Sarah Jenings' death being entered on their records under date 7 day, 11 mo., 1674, at Aylesbury, Bucks, England.

Samuel Jenings was a minister in the new sect and his name appears, amongst others, signed to an epistle issued by the London Monthly Meeting in 1677.

In the year 1680 the new colony of West Jersey owned by the creditors of Edward Byllinge needed a Governor, and Samuel Jenings was selected by them as its ruler. Byllinge was the nominal Governor, residing in England. The former reached his post in the fall of that year.* This was a difficult and trying position, inasmuch as the colonists themselves had no direct voice in his appointment. His conduct of affairs

* Letter of S. Jenings dated October 17, 1680, in West Jersey. "Smith's History of New Jersey," p. 124.

was, however, so satisfactory that after a year's service he was formally accepted by the Assembly on November 25, 1681. He continued to act in this capacity for three years, when the Assembly took upon itself the authority to elect a Governor, and in the spring of 1683 elected Samuel Jenings * to that office for one year, his salary to be 600 acres of land to be located above the Falls of the Delaware. During this period he was engaged in commerce, as the deeds state that he was by occupation a merchant.

This act being unsatisfactory to Byllinge, the Assembly, early in 1684, passed a *law* appointing Samuel Jenings and Thomas Budd commissioners to go to England to negotiate for their "demand and vindication of their right to the Government against Edward Byllinge." † Jenings nominated his brother-in-law, Thomas Olive, as his Deputy Governor, and he was confirmed by the Assembly. ‡

The mission was not successful. Byllinge clung to his prerogative and appointed John Skeen as his Deputy. This was confirmed in November, 1685, at which session of the Assembly Samuel Jenings took his seat as a representative from the "2nd tenth," part of Burlington County.

The Council of Proprietors of West Jersey was organized the 14 day, 12 mo., 1687, to regulate the location of lands and the claims of the settlers. Eleven Proprietors were appointed, the name of Samuel Jenings heading the list. This association continues in existence up to the present time.

At this period a great change took place in the affairs of West Jersey. Many sales had been made of the shares of the first owners. Dr. Daniel Coxe, a London physician, had been the largest purchaser and controlled the government of the colony, ruling by a deputy. He was a member of the Church of England, and although not unfriendly to the Quakers, had no especial reason to favor them. Many of the early officials retired to private life. Among these was Samuel Jenings,

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*"I Samuel Jenings being elected Governor of the Province of West Jersey by the General Free Assembly thereof sitting at Burlington the 11th day of the third month in the year 1683, do freely and faithfully promise (according to the best of my ability) to act in that capacity according to the laws and concessions and constitutions as they are now established in the said Province."—"Learning & Spicer's Grants and Concessions," p. 472.

†Section I, Laws 1684—Learning & Spicer, p. 485.

‡Section VI, Laws 1684—Learning & Spicer, p. 489.

who in the year 1689 removed to Philadelphia, still recording himself as a merchant. In the year following, 1690, he was appointed Receiver General of Pennsylvania. In the same year he was also made a Judge of the Court and a Justice of the Quorum, which offices he held for three years.

He now began to take an active part in the religious discussions that had arisen among Friends over the theories and doctrines promulgated by George Keith, who had lately located in Philadelphia. At a Quarterly Meeting of Ministers, held in first month, 1692, Samuel Jenings and Griffith Owen were appointed a committee to visit Keith, and "call upon him for a condemnation of his doctrine." This was unsuccessful, and the latter in reply said that "he trampled upon the judgment of the meeting as dirt under his feet." At another meeting, held in the fourth month of that year, an address was issued to the members, pronouncing a separation of the schismatic from their Society, Samuel Jenings being one of the signers. Keith refused to acknowledge this sentence, but carried the matter up to the next Yearly Meeting; in the meanwhile he and Thomas Budd issued a pamphlet called "The Plea of the Innocents," in which Jenings was assailed as "being too high and imperious in worldly courts," and was "called an impudent, presumptuous and insolent man." * The latter Yearly Meeting was held in Burlington, in 7 mo., 1692, when the judgment of the Quarterly Meeting was sustained. Keith then appealed to the London Yearly Meeting.

Early in the year 1694 Samuel Jenings and Thomas Duckett were appointed to go to London and appear as respondents to this appeal. The hearing of the case came up on the first of fourth month of this year and occupied six days, Jenings personally replying to the allegations and arguments of Keith. The case was not finally settled until the next year when Keith's dismissal from the Society was ordered.

Returning from England Samuel Jenings again took up his residence in Burlington, New Jersey.† In January, 1698, the Yearly Meeting of Friends was held in his house. In the next year he made a missionary tour through New England

* "Jenings' Genealogy," by Wm. H. Jenings, p. 339.

† On October 14, 1697, John Hooke, of Gray's Inn, Middlesex, England, gives "P. of Atty." to Jeremiah Basse, of W. J., and Samuel *Jenings* of *Burlington*, to take up and survey lands. On October 5th, previous, Wm. Penn had given the same a "P. of Atty."

and Long Island. In the latter place he held a meeting "at the house of Thomas Stevenson, near Newtown," three of whose sons were destined to become his sons-in-law. This was an eventful tour, for it was at once followed by a large emigration from these localities to West Jersey.

Samuel Jenings does not appear to have taken any part in the public affairs of West Jersey from the time of his removal to Philadelphia, in 1689, until the surrender of East and West Jersey by the Proprietors to the Crown, in 1702, and the appointment of Lord Cornbury as Governor. On the 16th day of November, in that year, the latter received his instructions and selected his Council of thirteen members; Samuel Jenings being one of them.

Cornbury's administration was very unsatisfactory and unpopular, and a dispute arose between him and the General Assembly as to the duties and authority of the latter body. This continued until 1707, when a new election for members was ordered. Samuel Jenings was one of those chosen to represent Burlington County, and was elected Speaker. The Assembly at once prepared a petition of grievances to the Queen, and a remonstrance to the Governor. Jenings read this paper himself. During its delivery, Smith says that Cornbury "frequently interrupted him with '*stop*, what's that?' etc., putting on a countenance of authority and sternness with intention to confound him," but he merely asked leave to read it again, which he did with greater emphasis. At the next session of the Assembly, in 1708, he was not able to attend, being stricken with his last illness.

Samuel Jenings is described by his contemporaries as a man of warm and affectionate disposition, but of a hasty temper, which he kept under prudent control. He was naturally an orator, ready to speak his opinions in the legislative hall, the "Meeting" or the private house. He was a brave defender and courageous propagator of his religion, and at the same time a bold and fearless champion of the rights and liberties of the people. During the twenty-eight years of his life in America he united in his person the minister of the gospel, legislator, magistrate and chief executive of the State, and in all these positions he did his duty faithfully and with great ability, always enjoying the confidence of the people.

He had two residences in New Jersey. One was in the town of Burlington. This house, which was of brick, is still standing at No. 3 Pearl Street, below Main, and lately belonged to the estate of W. R. Vandergrift. It was sold by Thomas Stevenson, one of Jenings' executors, on March 19, 1711, to Hugh Huddy for £100. The present building, which is three stories, is rough-cast, with an uncovered two-story back building of ancient appearance. The whole has evidently been altered and enlarged. Upon the front, over the second floor windows, are the initials "I. H. 1725," which stand for a Huddy, who, most likely, added a front of three stories to what was the original house, which once faced to the river, instead of from it, as it does now. His office is said to have stood at the southeast corner of Main and Pearl Streets, close by his residence. His plantation, or country place, was just beyond the present city limits and contained two tracts of land, one of 480 acres lying within the old "town bounds," and the other 525 acres adjoining it in Northampton Township, and called "Green Hill." Upon this latter stands the old brick house, now part of a tenant house, with the brass knocker engraved "S. J." still upon the door. It is located about three miles from Burlington, between Deacon's Station and the Jacksonville Road. Samuel Jenings seems to have lived at Green Hill from 1684 to 1689, as deeds executed during this period so give his residence, and likewise his occupation as a yeoman or farmer. He sold the whole of this plantation to his son-in-law, William Stevenson, in 1702.

THE WILL OF SAMUEL JENINGS.

"I Samuel Jenings of Burlington in the Province of New Jersey, alias New Cæsaria, in America, Mercht being weake in body but of sound and well disposing mind and memory, Praises be humbly offered to the Lord for the same with all other his favours, and desirous to settle my affairs and concerns in this life, after the best manner I can, not knowing how it may please the Lord to deal with me in this my illness, Doe make my last will and testament in manner following.

First, my will is y't all my just debts and funerall expenses shall be fully paid and satisfyed.

Also, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson, Isaac Pennington, son of Edward Pennington, decd, the sum of fifty Pounds. To my Grandson Jenings Stevenson, son of William Stevenson, fifty Pounds. To my grandson Thomas Stevenson, son of John Stevenson, fifty

Pounds and to my Granddaughter Elizabeth, daughter of s'd William Stevenson twenty five Pounds, and unto Anna and Sarah, daughters of the s'd Thomas Stevenson each of them twenty five Pounds.

And my will is, and I do hereby appoint, that all ye said legacies soe given unto my grand-children as aforesaid, amounting in all to the sum of two hundred and twenty-five pounds shall be paid by my Executors hereinafter named, into the hands of Samuell Carpenter and Richard Hill, both of Philadelphia, merchants, or the survivor of them within seaven years next after my decease, and by them or either of them to be put out to interest to the use and at the risque and hazard of the s'd legatees respectively, and that all securityes to be taken for the same shall mention whose proper money it is, and my will is, that all s'd legacies and produce thereof respectively shall be paid to my grandsons and granddaughters, at their several ages of one and twenty years, or days of marriage which shall first happen. And if it shall happen y't any of my s'd grandsons or granddaughters shall die under their age aforesaid or before day of marriage, then his or their share or shares soe dying shall goe to the child or children of his or their mother in equall portions, and for want thereof to his or their mother and father respectively. And also my will is, and I doe hereby appoint that the s'd Samuell Carpenter and Richard Hill, shall have and deduct, all ye reasonable charges and disbursements which they shall expend or be put unto touching and concerning their management of the s'd legacies out of the same or interest thereof. Also I do give unto the s'd Samuel Carpenter my great mare called Jill, which I brought from Road Island, and to Richard Hill my young black gelding of four years old, come of the same mare.

Also I give to my sister Eliza Hackney,* the sum of fifty Pounds Sterling money of Great Brittain, to be paid out of my estate there, within twelve months next after my decease, but in case my estate there should by any accident fall short or faile, then my will is that my s'd sister shall have ye sum of one hundred pounds lawful money of this Province of Jersey, to be paid here to her or her assigns as now it passes, within two years next after my decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my *cosin*† Susannah Fox the sum of one hundred Pounds, to be paid within eighteen months next after my decease.

Also I give unto my *cosins*† John Hackney and Samuel Hackney each of them ten Pounds, to be paid within two years next after my death.

Also I give and bequeath unto my long acquainted, worthy and endeared friend Thomas Ellwood of Hungerhill, near Amersham in ye County of Bucks in Great Brittain the sum of twenty Pounds Sterling money, to be paid out of my effects there to buy him a gelding or otherwise as he shall think fit

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* The London, Eng., "Friends' Records" state that Elizabeth Jenings, sister of Samuel, of Aylesbury, Bucks, was married on 17 day, 12 mo., 1675, to Joseph Hackney,

† Niece and nephews.

And for as much as may be necessary to sell my reall estate in order to the payment of my debts and legacyes I do hereby give full power and authority to my executors hereinafter to be named, or to any two of them, or to the survivors or survivor of them, to grant bargain, sell or convey all or any part of my messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in Jersey or elsewhere, to any person or persons whatsoever, to his, her or their heirs and assigns forever, for and towards payment of my said debts and legacies.

And all the rest and residue of my estate both reall and personall not otherwise herein disposed of, I give and bequeath unto my said three daughters and to their husbands, viz: Thomas, William and John Stevenson, equally to be divided amongst them, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever.

And of this my last will and testament, I make and appoint my for'sd three sonns-in-law, viz: Thos. Stevenson, Wm. Stevenson and John Stevenson and my three daughters, Sarah, Anne and Mercy, Executors hereby revoking and making null and void all and every other and former will and wills be me att any time heretofore made or published and appointing this only to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth of ye fift month called July, in ye seventh yeare of ye reine of our Soverigne Lady and Queen of Greate Brittain &c., and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred eight.

Also I give my brother Isaac Marriott* my watch.

Samuel Jenings [SEAL]

Signed, sealed, published and declared by ye above named Samuel Jenings to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto, in ye presence of the s'd testator.

THOS. GARDINER,
THOS. RAPIER,
DANIEL SMITH."

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* Isaac Marriott, son of Richard Marriott, husbandman of Wappingham, in Northamptonshire, England, married, in 1681, Joyce Ollive, sister of Samuel Jenings' wife. He married, second, at Newtown, Long Island, 2 day, 12 mo., 1699, Susannah, daughter of Robert and Susannah Field, of that place. He lived in Burlington, and was a merchant at the time of his last marriage. He was a member of the West Jersey Assembly in 1682.

According to the "Friends' Records" preserved in the City of London, Sarah Jenings, of Aylesbury, Bucks, died 15 day, 2 mo., 1674.

Samuel Jenings, of Aylesbury, Bucks, married Ann, daughter of Richard Ollive, 7 day, 11 mo., 1672.

William Jenings, son of Samuel and Ann Jenings, of Aylesbury, Bucks, was born 8 day, 9 mo., 1675. The Philadelphia "Friends' Records" state that he was buried in Race Street burying ground, 22 day, 9 mo., 1691.

Sarah Jenings, daughter of Samuel and Ann Jenings, of Aylesbury, Bucks, was born 10 day, 2 mo., 1679.

From Burlington, N. J., and Philadelphia "Friends' Records":

Joyce Jenings, daughter of Samuel and Ann Jenings, born 1 day, 10 mo., 1681: Buried in Race Street, Philadelphia, burying ground, 14 day, 9 mo., 1694.

Ann Jenings, daughter of Samuel and Ann Jenings, born 25 day, 6 mo., 1683.

Elizabeth Jenings, daughter of Samuel and Ann Jenings, born 12 day, 8 mo., 1686.

Mercy Jenings, daughter of Samuel and Ann Jenings, born 27 day, 6 mo., 1687.

*Ann Jenings married William Stevenson, 16 day, 11 mo., 1699.

*Sarah Jenings married Edward Penington, 16 day, 11 mo., 1699.

Sarah Penington, widow of Edward, "Passed Meeting" to marry Thomas Stevenson, 10 day, 2 mo., 1704.

Mercy Jenings "Passed Meeting" to marry John Stevenson, 6 day, 3 mo., 1706.

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*The two sisters, Sarah and Ann Jenings, were married the same day. This is cut out of the Record. William Penn was present, and his signature was on William Stevenson's marriage certificate. Edward Penington was a half-brother of William Penn's first wife, and was Surveyor-General of Pennsylvania. He left one child, Isaac Penington.

CHAPTER III.

THIRD GENERATION.

No. 6. THOMAS STEVENSON, Junior[3], (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]). There is no record of his birth, but it was probably about 1674. Passing into Buck's County, Penna., we find a deed recorded, which is dated January 20, 1701, and which informs us that Thomas Revell sold to "Thomas Stevenson, Junior, of Long Island," for £500, 1000 acres on the south side of the Neshaminy Creek. This was in Bensalem Township, a short distance from the present line of the City of Philadelphia, and near to the Delaware River. The succeeding year (March 16), he added to his possession 2500 acres on the southwest bank of the same stream.

That he had not moved on to this land is shown by the Records of the Flushing Friends' Meeting,* which in 1702 state that Thomas Stevenson, Senior, and Thomas Stevenson, Junior, had each a horse returned to them as a result of a petition to Gov. Lord Cornbury, after they had been distrained for the building of a church. "At a monthly Meeting held at ye meeting house in flushing the 2 day, 6 mo., '99, Thomas Stevenson, Junior, desires a certificate from this meeting to Friends of West New Jersey concerning his orderly walking amongst us which this meeting has granted." From this it would appear that he at first intended to settle in New Jersey, but having bought land in Pennsylvania he had changed his mind, for at the Flushing Monthly Meeting held 2 day, 2 mo., 1702, Thomas Stevenson, Senior, of Newtown, requests a certificate of clearance for his son Thomas.

* From a copy of Flushing "Friends' Records," by John Cox, Jr., of New York.

On the 10 day, 2 mo., 1664, Thomas Stevenson made his second application to the Burlington, N. J., Friends' Meeting for its approval to marry Sarah Penington, widow of Edward,* and the eldest daughter of Gov. Samuel Jenings, of West Jersey. The date of the marriage is not on record, but according to the rules governing that religious society it usually took place within two weeks of what is styled the "Passing of the Meeting" the second time.

Thomas Stevenson was elected a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1710, and served continuously until his death in 1719. He was likewise one of eight Justices of the Peace for Bucks County. In the year 1712 he was elected a member of the Council of Proprietors of West Jersey. He was one of the great land-owners of the time; buying large tracts in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland. These he disposed of in smaller lots to actual settlers. From a diary kept by Samuel Reading,† of Hunterdon County, N.J., we get an excellent idea how Thomas Stevenson and other large purchasers acquired their lands. A party of surveyors and proprietors, as they were called, went up on the head-waters of the Raritan River to select land. Previous to this journey Thomas Stevenson, of Buck's County, and Joseph Kirkbride, of the same place, had bought‡ February 24, 1712, of John Moore and James Logan, of Philadelphia, "one equal and undivided moiety or one half § part of one ninetieth part of ninety nine equal parts, or one half a propriety of all that tract of land in

* Edward Penington was the son of Isaac Pennington, Alderman, of London. The latter was at one time Lieutenant of the Tower, and subsequently Lord Mayor of London. He was one of the judges who condemned Charles I to death. He married, in 1654, Mary Proude Springett, daughter of Sir John Proude, and widow of Sir William Springett. Gulielma Maria Springett, Lady Springett's daughter by her first husband, was a half-sister of Edward Penington and the first wife of William Penn. Isaac Penington after his marriage moved to his paternal inheritance, The Grange, Chalfont. St. Peter's, Bucks, which was close to the homes of William Penn, Samuel Jenings and others who emigrated to America. After the restoration of Charles II his estate was confiscated in 1660, but he was allowed to remain in possession until 1666. He and and his wife both joined the Friends. Their son, Edward Pennington, emigrated to Pennsylvania, where he was made Surveyor-General. He married Sarah Jenings, November 16, 1699, in Friends' Meeting, in Burlington. William Penn was present at the wedding. He left one son, Isaac Penington.

† Samuel Reading's Diary in the New Jersey Historical Society.

‡ *Liber* AAA, p. 699.

§ When the Quintipartite Deed was made, July 1, 1676, dividing the Province into East and West Jersey, the latter was divided into 100 equal parts: one part was given to John Fenwick, of Salem, the other 99 parts were offered for sale.

the Western Division of New Jersey in the upper purchase above the branch of the Raritan, between the Delaware and Raritan Rivers." Moore and Logan had purchased it of John Evans, of St. Martin's Field, Middlesex, England. Purchasers of these *Rights*, as they were styled, had the privilege of locating them upon land not taken up. The locating was done by having the tract surveyed and entered on the records of the Surveyor-General's office in Burlington. This constituted the title.

Samuel Reading writes in his journal, under date of April 30, 1715, "Thomas Stevenson having gone toward Pequannock, and Mahlon Stacy being newly come * * * their lots not being fixed we surveyed none this day. Cox, Bull, Haywood and I went for Ryerson's; we met with Stevenson and George Ryerson at H. Davis, upon Rockaway River, where Stevenson seemed to fix upon a lot, but by reason of his unreasonableness we did not proceed." "May 4, I surveyed * * * we met Thomas Stevenson who pitched upon a lot. I went along with him to Paulus Vanderbecks upon Pequannock River, where we lodged all night." "May 5, they went to run Stevenson's lot, but he seems to have been very hard to suit and would not take it." "May 31, Surveyed along Musconetcong River." "June 1, We traversed the river still higher with intention to lay out a lot for Mahlon Stacy and completed the same, when after our arrival at our horses, Thomas Stevenson and Samuel Green (a surveyor) came up the river in quest of us, and told us that our labor there bestowed upon the river was all in vain for they had surveyed that land before us. In the end it proved that they had laid out a lot which was prior to ours and interfered with Mahlon's. We discoursed for an accommodation, but Stevenson would not condescend, so after a multiplicity of words pro and con we went together down the river, where they had left their provisions with another hand and an Indian called Pishot—when we came the Indian was gone."

The result of this land-hunting trip, thus so graphically described by Reading, is to be found in the books in the Surveyor-General's office, viz.: "May 4, 1713. * Surveyed to Thomas Stevenson in the last Indian purchase above the

* *Liber* A, p. 119.

Falls. Beginning at a white oak corner near Minnesink Path, between the branches of the Raritan, and a branch of the Delaware River called Musconetcong near a little run," etc. The tract was surveyed for 2500 acres * besides allowance for highways. "May 7, 1715, † Surveyed to Thomas Stevenson in the Western Division of New Jersey, situate near the head of a branch of Pessiack River, called Whippany. Beginning at a corner post, then N. E., 19°, 11 chains to a white oak marked S.; then S. E., 19°, 82 chains to a post; then S. W. by the bounds of Thomas Lambert's land," etc. It contained 1200 acres, and 50 acres allowed for highways.

Thomas Stevenson's (Junior) will is dated November 8, 1717. It was probated October 9, 1719. His executors were his wife Sarah and Joseph Kirkbride. The witnesses were Anna Marriott, John Axford and Benjamin Field. In this instrument he directs that all his lands shall be sold. To his widow he bequeaths a dower of one-third; to his son Samuel £150; to son Edward £100; to his daughters Sarah and Ann, "as much as will make up their legacies which were given them by their grandfather Jenings, £50." All these legacies were to be paid so soon as they came of age or were married. The remainder of his estate was to be equally divided among his six children; but if they all die, then it was to descend to the children of his brothers William and John.

THOMAS STEVENSON'S (JUNIOR) LAND PURCHASES:

January 6, 1701, buys of John Hutchinson, 2 lots of 500 acres each, in Salem County, N. J.

January 20, 1701, buys of Thomas Revell, in Bucks County, Penna., 1000.

March 16, 1702, buys of Thomas Revell, in Bucks County, Penna., 2500 acres.

November 2, 1709, buys of Thomas Gardiner, all the estate of S. Jenings, deceased.

March 15, 1711, buys of Wm. Bessonett, son and heir of Richard, a lot in Burlington, N. J., called "New Brew House," late of S. Jenings.

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* The original surveys usually contained nearly twice the number of acres indicated. The surveyor took his compass and either walked or rode on horse-back around the tract, marking corners and estimating distances by the time it took to traverse between them. He made sure of an excess of acreage, for then he never heard of it; if his estimate fell short it was likely soon to be discovered.

† *Liber* A, p. 180.

*February 12, 1712, buys of John Eves, one Propriety in West Jersey.

*February 24, 1712, buys of John Moore & James Logan, one-half Propriety in New Jersey.

*October 21, 1712, buys of Peter Somans, son and heir of Arent, above the Falls, by Adlorde Borde, 20,000 acres.

*November 10, 1712, buys of William Penn, by attorney, two tracts, 10,000 acres each, in New Jersey.

*November 12, 1712, buys of William Penn, by attorney, 20,000 acres, in two tracts, in New Jersey.

April 1, 1714, buys of Robert Robert, the Munster Tract, east of Big Elk Creek, Maryland, 3000 acres.

May 2, 1714, buys of D. Coxe, on Delaware River, in New Jersey, 722 acres.

May 9, 1716, buys of Heirs of Benj'n Field, in Hunterdon County, N. J., 1000.

May 9, 1716, buys of William Stevenson, in Hunterdon County, N. J., 1000 acres.

July 24, 1716, buys of Daniel Coxe, on north branch of Raritan, 5000 acres.

1719, buys of William Lawrence and others, in Bucks County, Penna., 4000 acres.

Sarah Stevenson, widow of Thomas, was buried in the graveyard of the Friends' Meeting in Middletown, Bucks County, Penna., 6 day, 12 mo., 1733.

Children of Thomas Stevenson, Junior, and wife Sarah :

XX. Ann Stevenson, born 6 day, 12 mo., 1704; married Wm. Biles † in 1725.

XXI. Sarah Stevenson, born 6 day, 1 mo., 1706; married Benjamin Field ‡ in 1724.

XXII. Samuel Stevenson, born 25 day, 6 mo., 1708; married Elizabeth Searle in 1730.

XXIII. Edward Stevenson, married Grace Stackhouse in 1745.

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* These tracts were bought in partnership with others.

† William Biles was the grandson of William Biles, a Quaker, who came from Dorsetshire, England, in 1680, and settled in Bucks County, Penna. The grandfather was for six years, between 1694 and 1711, a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly. His father, William (the second), was a member in 1721, 1722, 1723 and 1724. In the latter year he was its Speaker.

‡ Benjamin Field was the son of Benjamin (and Experience Allen) Field. The latter was born in Newtown, Long Island, but removed to Hunterdon County, N. J., where he died in 1704. He was a large land-owner. His son Benjamin, who married Sarah Stevenson, lived in Middletown Township, Bucks County, Penna.; he was Register and Recorder of that county from 1721 to 1724; Trustee of the Loan Office in 1743, and a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly continuously from 1738 to 1745.

XXIV. Elizabeth Stevenson, married Matthew Hughes*, Junior.
XXV. Abigail Stevenson, died 7 day, 8 mo., 1714.
XXVI. Alice Stevenson died young.

The family record given above is cemented by the recital in a deed recorded in Trenton, and dated July 1, 1773, viz.: "Thomas Field of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, eldest son of Sarah Field, daughter and devisee of Thomas Stevenson, late of Bucks County, deceased, and grantee of Thomas Biles (and wife Abigail) oldest son of Ann Biles, who was a daughter and devisee of said Thomas Stevenson as will more large appear by deed from Edward Penington, heir-at-law to Sarah Penington, late Stevenson, surviving trustee of said Thomas Stevenson, deceased; Matthew Hughes, son and heir-at-law of Elizabeth Hughes, daughter of said Thomas Stevenson, deceased; Sarah Ann and Rachel Stevenson, daughters and co-heirs of Edward Stevenson, son and devisee of Thomas Stevenson, deceased," convey land in Morris County, New Jersey, to Samuel Ogden, Esquire.

No. 7. WILLIAM STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born in 1676, at Newtown, Long Island. The first record of him in New Jersey is on an old map of Burlington, in 1696, upon which is marked in his name a lot on the river-front, on the fourth block below High Street, containing one acre and five perches.

The next we learn about him is from the Records of the Flushing, L. I., Friends' Meeting under date of 2 day, 9 mo., 1699. The Minutes state, that †"Wm. Stevenson Sent to Desire of this meeting a Sartificate of his conversation and

* Matthew Hughes lived in Buckingham Township, Bucks County, He was the son of Matthew Hughes, Senior, who was said by a contemporary to have been a man of strong mind, good natural abilities, great integrity and of an amiable disposition. He represented his county for fifteen consecutive years in the Assembly, from 1723 to 1738.

† Copied from the Minutes by John Cox, Jr., New York.

clearance from all women in relation to Marrage, and this meeting hath appoynted John Roadman to draw it, and if need require it sign it in behalf of ye meetting." In pursuance of his efforts towards matrimony according to the Ritual of Friends, we find on the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting, held at Chesterfield, Burlington County, 7 day, 10 mo., 1699, the following viz.: "William Stevenson desires a certificate from the meeting on account of the marriage of Friends." As this meeting house was the nearest one to his father's (Thomas Stevenson) newly purchased land, he was probably at that time living on Doctor's Creek, in the adjoining township of Nottingham. The result of these efforts is told on the Minutes of the Burlington Monthly Meeting for the succeeding month, for on "1 day, 11 mo., 1699," William Stevenson and Ann Jenings a second time declared their intention to marriage, "he producing certificates from Long Island and Chesterfield." The ceremony was performed at Burlington, November 16, 1699, at the same time that Sarah Jenings, sister to Ann, married Edward Penington. William Penn was present and signed the certificate* as one of the witnesses.

William Stevenson began his land purchases shortly afterwards. On October 11, 1701, he and Benjamin Field, together bought of "Sarah Welch of Philadelphia, widow of William Welch, late merchant of London, first, one Propriety except 20,000 acres; second, one half a Propriety except Gloucester Town and town lots." Out of this, these two men located about 10,000 acres above the Falls of the Delaware (now Trenton), "in the new purchase, or third hundred, being part of the Indian plantation of Caponoken." Benjamin Field, in 1701, sold 1000 acres of this (it resurveyed 1700 acres) to Charity Stevenson, of Newtown, Long Island, aunt to William Stevenson. This tract, originally in Burlington County, was in that part of it set off as Hunterdon County. It formed a large part of Amwell Township, which was erected by a patent dated June 27, 1708. It was called after a parish of that name about eighteen miles from London, in Hertfordshire, England. The ancient register of Amwell Church is still preserved. It

*The writer examined the marriage certificate, which was in the possession of Joseph Stevenson, a descendant.

begins in 1558: there is a break between 1586 and 1591. The following extracts are copied from it:

"1601, Mrs. Bridget Stevenson, an anntient Widdowe, was buried from Mr. John Goodmans of Hodsdon End, and layd on the North syde of ye great stone in the chancell October IXth, underneath the square wyght stone."

"1614, Anne the wife of Mr. John Snellings of London, diinge there was brought down to Mr. Goodmans house at Hodsdon End, in our p'ish, and buried the XVIIIth of June, Anno Domini, 1614, she lieth in the chancell under the south wall at the foot of tho steps yt goe upp to the table."

"1628, Mrs. Isabell Goodman of Hodsdon, widowe, wife sometime to Mr. John Goodman, whose relict she lived XXIV years, being suddenly taken with apoplexye as she was writing a letter ffeb. 23, 1628, remained speechless above 12 hours, then died, and was bured the XXXVth daye of the same month in the chancell at the upper end of the east window, there to sleep until ye generall resurrection."

"John Goodman, Esquire, died 1604."

"Anne Goodman, baptised June 8, 1578."

"John Snellings, Gent., buried December 20, 1601."

Inscription on the "Square whyte stone," originally in the chancel of the church, at present in the floor of the tower.

"Here underlyeth interred the bodyes of John Stevenson of Hodsdon, Gent, & Bridget his wife; of John Goodman of Hodsdon, Esquire, & Isabell his wife, daughter of the sayd John Stevenson and Bridget. Of Anne, the wife of John Snellings Gent., the daughter of John Goodman and Isabell. Of Anne the daughter of the sayd John and Anne Snellings. Isabell Goodman, the last of those that died, deceased the 31 daye of February 1628 who by her will ordered this memorial. So they sleep in the Lord awaiting the Resurrection."

The next year William Stevenson bought his homestead. The deed is dated April 15, 1702, and recites that William Stevenson, of Northampton Township, Burlington County, buys of Samuel Jenings, of Burlington, for £900, "all that plantation called Green Hill in Northampton Township; 525 acres as it is laid, also 480 acres lying north within the town bounds of Burlington and the remaining part of the said 480 acres adjoining lands already laid forth, beginning," etc. This appears to have been Governor Jenings' country home.

William Stevenson located another survey of land, February 21, 1716, of 820 acres on the branches of the Raritan River.

* *Liber* AAA, p. 110.

Like his brother Thomas he seems to have sold these outlying lands and his "Rights" to other parties, usually actual settlers, for small homesteads.

He was elected a member of the Council of Proprietors of West Jersey in 1711. He also represented Burlington County in the first New Jersey Assembly, which met at Perth Amboy in 1703, after the union of the Provinces of East and West Jersey in the year previous.

A census of Northampton Township, Burlington County, was taken in 1709. It contained 42 families, among them being that of William Stevenson, whose age is given as 33; also Ann Stevenson, age 24; Jenings Stevenson, age 8; Elizabeth, age 5, and 3 Indian servants.

William Stevenson's will * is dated in Northampton Township, April 24, 1724, and was probated June 2d of that year. It divided his property among his children. His widow Ann (*nee* Jenings) appears to have married a second time, as the Minutes of Chesterfield Friends' Meeting record on 5 day, 2 mo., 1731, that †Thomas Lambert, of Chesterfield, a second time declared his intention to marry Ann Stevenson, a widow with children. She was his fourth wife.

The children of William and Ann (Jenings) Stevenson were:

XXVII. Jenings, born 1701; died without issue between 1724 and 1736.

XXVIII. William, born——; married Sarah Kemble, daughter of Benjamin, April 23, 1740. He died in 1746, and his widow took out letters of administration on November 1st of that year, and married Joseph Antrim, September 29, 1749. William Stevenson left two sons, Jenings and Joseph Stevenson. The former (Jenings) married December 18, 1766, Sarah Alexander in Old Swedes Church, Philadelphia, and died in 1784, leaving three sons, William, who died young; Caleb, who died in 1809, and Samuel, who died in 1819. Joseph Stevenson, son of William and Sarah (Kemble) Stevenson, married Dovey Webb—marriage license dated March 29, 1769.

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* *Liber* 2, p. 268.

† Margaret Lambert, an unmarried daughter of Thomas Lambert, in her will, in 1746, bequeaths a legacy to "Peggy Stevenson." Achsah Lambert, her sister, who died unmarried in 1791, mentions her relations, William Stevenson, brother to Margaret Stevenson, and calls the latter cousin.

XXIX. Thomas, married Experience Cheshire, daughter of Benjamin; marriage license dated September 17, 1733. He inherited 300 acres of "Rights," which he located in Bethlehem Township, Hunterdon County, where he was living in 1736. A daughter, Elizabeth Stevenson, is mentioned in Benjamin Cheshire's will in 1740.

XXX. John, married Sarah, daughter of John Carter, of Gloucester County, New Jersey. He lived at Gloucester and died in 1748, and his widow (Sarah) took out letters of administration on his estate on May 10th of that year. He left no issue. On July 10, 1750, Sarah Stevenson took out a license to marry Jonas Cattell.

XXXI. Elizabeth,* born 1704, married —— Osborne. It is believed that he died, and his widow (Elizabeth) married William Prosser and had issue: William Prosser,† born 14 day, 3 mo., 1734, married Mary Deacon, August 10, 1762, whose children's names indicate their ancestry, viz.: William Stevenson Prosser, born 10 day, 3 mo., 1764; Ann Prosser, born 6 day, 7 mo., 1766; Uriah Prosser, born 8 day, 11 mo., 1768; Elizabeth Prosser, born 14 day, 8 mo., 1771, married —— Owen; Benjamin Prosser, born 6 day, 10 mo., 1774, married Deborah Herbert; Mary Prosser, born 26 day, 8 mo., 1776, married —— Howell; John Prosser, born 17 day, 10 mo., 1781; Martha Prosser, married —— Brown.

XXXII. Mary, died unmarried in Northampton Township. Her will‡ is dated February 8, 1775, and probated February 13, 1777. It names her cousins (nieces and nephews), Mary, wife of William Prosser; Joseph Stevenson, and Jenings Stevenson's three children—William, Samuel and Caleb.

XXXIII. Ann.

No. 8. JOHN STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), was the youngest son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Lawrence) Stevenson, and was born in Newtown, Long Island, about 1678. He probably removed from Newtown to his father's land on Doctor's Creek, Nottingham Township, Burlington County, N. J., some time after his brother William's marriage (1699), for we find in the Minute Book of the Chesterfield Meeting,

* The Minutes of the Burlington M. M. note 7 day, 6 mo., 1727, that Elizabeth Osborne, daughter of Ann Stevenson, was dealt with for marrying out of meeting.

† "Friends' Record," Burlington, New Jersey.

‡ *Liber* 18, p. 77, Trenton.

the nearest Friends' house of worship to these lands, an entry dated 7 day, 1 mo., 1705–6, that "John Stevenson desired a clearance on account of marriage." This was followed by his declaration a second time, in the Burlington Monthly Meeting 6 day, 3 mo., 1706, of his intention to marry Mercy Jenings, daughter of Samuel.

It was some time before John Stevenson got his title to his homestead. The deed* is dated November 5, 1712, and recites that "Thomas Stevenson of Newtown, Long Island," conveys to "John Stevenson, of Nottingham Township, Burlington County," N. J., for the consideration of £250, one thousand acres on Doctor's Creek, and "on the province Line," "adjoining Matthew Grange," etc. Although the son paid the father in money for the land, the relationship is clearly set out in a subsequent† deed, in which John Stevenson sells off part of the tract, and in which document is the following sentence: "Whereas, Thomas Stevenson, of Long Island, father of John, sold 1000 acres to John Stevenson." Afterwards the title is explained.

John Stevenson remained on his plantation until the death of his wife Mercy,‡ which took place between 1720 and 1724. His second marriage occurred in the latter year. The Minutes of the meeting held at Chesterfield 1 day, 8 mo., 1724, record that "John Stevenson and Margaret Wood, both belonging to this meeting, declared their intention of taking each other in marriage, whereupon this meeting appoints our Friends John Tantum and John Abbott to make inquiry of his clearance from all others on account of marriage and make report to our next monthly meeting." On 5 day, 9 mo., 1724, John Stevenson a second time declared his intention to marry Margaret Wood. The birth of the latter is recorded in Chesterfield Meeting under the date of 26 day, 10 mo., 1693. She was the daughter of William and Mary Wood, of Leicestershire, England, who came to Burlington, New Jersey, in 1677, on Flie-boat "Martha," from Hull, in the former country. At the time of his daughter's marriage William Wood lived in Hopewell.

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* *Liber* DD, p. 451.

† *Liber* F, p. 225.

‡ On November 20, 1720, Mercy Stevenson signs, with her husband John, a deed to John Yorts for 163 acres of his plantation on the Province Line. *Liber* X, p. 94.

After his second marriage John Stevenson did not remain long on Doctor's Creek. He had previously sold part of his plantation, but on October 10, 1727, his wife Margaret joins him in a conveyance "to Thomas Betts, late of Newtown, Long Island," for "all that plantation whereon he now liveth on the north side of Doctor's Creek," bounded by land of Benjamin Robbins, Joseph Brittain and Nathaniel Stevenson.* It was probably the influence of his wife's family that induced him to purchase, one week afterwards, October 17, of Daniel Smith, 200 acres in Hunterdon County, on the west side of the road from Quakertown to Ringoes, two miles south of the former village. † For neighbors he had his nephew, Samuel Stevenson, son of his brother Thomas, and Jacob Doughty, whose wife was his second cousin.

While this removal from Burlington to Hunterdon County seems a trivial circumstance, it had much to do historically with the founding of the first Friends' Meeting in New Jersey north of the Falls of the Delaware (Trenton). Jacob Doughty, more of whom will be related hereafter, who had lived in Burlington County and had attended the Chesterfield Meeting with John Stevenson, also moved up into Hunterdon County and had purchased, February 12, 1728, of Ann Stevenson, widow, and John Stevenson, Executors of William Stevenson (brother of John), 136 acres of land. He afterwards bought more land. Prof. J. W. Moore and Mrs. Mary C. Vail, in their sketches of the Quakertown Friends' Meeting in the *The Jerseyman*,‡ say an application was made from this neighborhood on 4 day, 10 mo., 1729, to the Friends at Chesterfield for permission to establish a Monthly Meeting. This was followed four years later by the donation of a lot for a meeting house.

Jacob Doughty, who was acknowledged as a "Minister among Friends,"§ on March 30, 1733, conveyed to Samuel Large, Samuel Willson, John Stevenson, Edward Rockhill and Joseph King, as trustees, four acres of land for the use of a meeting house. Of these trustees Edward Rockhill had a sister married to John Stevenson's half-brother Nathaniel.

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* *Liber* F, p. 311.

† From deed in possession of Dr. Henry Race, Pittstown.

‡ Vol. 2, p. 9, and Vol. 4, p. 6.

§ The Society of Friends has no paid, or, as they piquantly style them, "hireling ministers." Any member moved by the Spirit can speak in meeting. One who habitually does so acquires the title by courtesy.

The settlement of Hunterdon County, from a religious point of view, is exceedingly interesting. The land was held at first by Proprietors in England, who were Quakers. They divided and sold part of it among a few of their own sect—William Penn, Benjamin Field, the Stevensons and others. In 1689, Dr. Daniel Coxe, of London, had secured enough interest in West Jersey lands to be the largest Proprietor, and to become its Governor. In 1691 he organized the famous West Jersey Society, a land company that controlled several hundred thousand acres of Jersey land. It located part of its "Rights" in Burlington, afterwards Hunterdon County, covering a large part of the northern portion of the latter. Dr. Coxe, who controlled the company, was an adherent of the English Church and not over friendly to the Quakers. The company at once began to sell their lands to actual settlers, the first deed for a tract above the Falls of the Delaware being given on February 10, 1695, to Thomas Green for 105 acres. * The Quakers, as a rule, held aloof from buying these lands, and they passed into the hands of members of other denominations. About 1727, there appears to have been a concerted effort on the part of the leaders of the Quakers to carry their faith into the new territory in the upper section of Hunterdon County, which resulted in the founding of the Quakertown Meeting.

In December, 1739,† John Stevenson was appointed a "Justice of the Quorum" for Hunterdon County. Associated with him were Andrew Smith, Abraham Vanhorne, John Vansickland, Thomas Cadwalader, William Atlee and Daniel Doughty. This office was an intermediary one between "Justices of the Pleas (Judges) and Justices of the Peace." They were recommended by the Council, a body similar to the present State Senate, and appointed this year by the Governor for all the counties except Monmouth and Gloucester. These officials seem to have been created by an Act of Assembly approved December 4, 1739, entitled "An Act for the trial and punishment of persons guilty of larceny under the value of twenty shillings" whereby any two such Magistrates of any county, city or town corporate were created a court for the disposal of such cases.

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* Basse's Book, B 2, p. 504.

† "N. J. Archives," Vol. XV, p. 98.

John Stevenson died intestate in 1744, his wife Margaret taking out letters of administrations on his estate on September 14th of that year.* She sold all the plantation, except the dwelling-house and about fifty acres, on March 20, 1749, to Henry Farnsworth. The deed recites that it was bounded by the lands of Jacob Doughty, Matthias Vanhorn and Jeremiah Williams. On 5 day, 5 mo., 1753, Margaret Stevenson and her daughter Mary, took a certificate of removal from the Bethlehem (Quakertown) Meeting to that of Chesterfield, in Burlington County. The date of her death is not recorded.

The children of John Stevenson by his first wife, Mercy Jenings, were:

XXXIV. Thomas, born 1707; married Sarah Whitehead.
XXXV. John, married Martha Walton.
XXXVI. Samuel.
XXXVII. Ann, married Daniel Doughty.†
XXXVIII. Abigail, married Peter Schmuck.
XXXIX. Mercy, married Benjamin Williams.

The children by his second wife, Margaret Wood, were:

XL. William, married Mary Bunting.
XLI. Susannah, married William Newbold.
XLII. Mary, died unmarried, 11 day, 7 mo., 1818.

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* Among the papers of John Emley, near Quakertown, is an itemized bill of Thomas Morgan for work done for John Stevenson, dated from 1733 to January 5, 1745, amounting in all to £78, 12s. 8d.; and then without date to 2½ years' work more, £39. The bill is endorsed on the back: "Thos. Morgan a Count with Margaret Stevenson."—Dr. Henry Race.

† Daniel Doughty, son of Jacob Doughty, was a great-grandson of Rev. Francis Doughty, one of the most eccentric and picturesque figures in early colonial times. Francis Doughty was the son of a merchant in Bristol, England, and the brother-in-law of Governor Stone of Maryland. He was educated for the Church, but cast in his lot with the Puritans and emigrated to America. We find him located at Cohasset (1636-39), now Taunton, Massachusetts. Here he got into a dispute with the elders on the subject of infant baptism, and pressed his views so vehemently that he and his wife and children were banished. He fled to Rhode Island and from thence joined one of the first English colonies that settled among the Dutch on Long Island. He became the pastor of the little community that settled at Mezpatkill, afterwards Newtown. This settlement was broken up by the Indians in 1643; the remnant of the colony, with Mr. Doughty, fled to New Amsterdam, where he preached in the church in the fort. He made a claim for the colonists' land at Mezpatkill as his own, which was disputed and decided against him in 1647, but he was allowed the land he had in possession. Appealing from this decision, the Dutch Director, General Kieft, fined him ten guelders and locked him up in prison for twenty-four hours. Upon his release Mr. Doughty applied for permission to go to Holland or the West Indies, but this was refused. He had accepted a call from the Congregational Church at Flushing, Long Island, where he preached during 1646 and 1647. Here again he got into trouble by denouncing the authorities, so that Capt. John Underhill, who was then living in that town, locked the doors of the church against him. Mr. Doughty, leaving his three children behind him, in 1648, emigrated to Maryland. There he appears to

CHAPTER IV.

NATHANIEL STEVENSON.

No. 10. NATHANIEL STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), was the half-brother of the three Stevensons previously sketched as having married the three daughters of Gov. Samuel Jenings. He was born at Newtown, Long Island, about 1685, and was brought up in the faith of the Friends. His father, Thomas Stevenson (second) conveyed to him part of the land he had purchased on Doctor's Creek, Burlington County, New Jersey. The deed does not appear to have been recorded, or else the record was lost, therefore the number of acres in it is not exactly known; but as it joined his brother John's plantation of 1000 acres, it was most likely nearly the same size.

On the Minutes of the Chesterfield Monthly Meeting we find the following entry: "At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their meeting house in Chesterfield ye 3rd of ye 1 mo. 1708-9, Nathaniel Stevenson son of Thomas Stevenson of Long Island and Mary Rockhill daughter of Edward Rockhill, both belonging to this meeting declared their Intention of taking each other in marriage, and he produced a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Flushing on said Island concerning his clearness from all others there. This meeting

have changed his religion and returned to the English Church, and became the Rector of Sittingbourne Parish in Virginia. While officiating here he baptized, in 1659, the eldest son of John Washington, grandfather of George Washington. Here also he got into difficulties for denying the supremacy of the King, contrary to the canons of the church. Rev. Francis Doughty had three children: A daughter, Mary Doughty, married, in 1645, Dr. Adrian Vander-Donck, a prominent Dutch clergyman. The latter, in 1648, obtained a grant for a bouery (plantation) on Flushing Bay; subsequently he relinquished it and returned to Holland, where he died in 1655. Thomas Stevenson (the first) secured the patent to Vander-Donck's bouery. Mary Vander-Donck, after her husband's death, returned to America and married Hugh O'Neale, and emigrated to Maryland. One son of Rev. Francis Doughty, Francis, junior, married the widow of Rev. John Moore, pastor of the church at Newtown, Long Island, and lived at first in the parish house. Upon the election of a new minister he refused to leave it, but was ordered out by Director-General Stuyvesant, in 1661. Elias Doughty, the other son of Rev. Francis, lived in Flushing. Elias was the grandfather of Daniel Doughty.

appoints John Abbott and Harmenias King to make inquiry as usual and make report to our next Monthly Meeting." The date of the marriage is not noted.

Mary Rockhill was the daughter of Edward and Mary Rockhill, Quakers, who emigrated from Aldingflete, Yorkshire, England, in 1686. They settled in Mansfield Square, Chesterfield Township, Burlington County, N. J. Mary Rockhill's (Stevenson) birth is recorded in the Minutes of Friends at this place on 3 day, 9 mo., 1688.

Nathaniel Stevenson officiated as Constable, as we find in the records of the session of Court held at Mt. Holly in 1718 the following, viz.: "Ordered by this Court that Nathaniel Stevenson, Constable of Nottingham Township pay the * * * for not appearing after being called three times."

Nathaniel Stevenson left no issue. His will,* which was dated June 5, 1736, and probated August 30 the same year, is remarkable inasmuch as it fixes the relationship of his brothers, a sister, and some of his nieces and nephews. In it he leaves bequests to "nephew John, son of brother John;" to "brother Daniel;" to "nephew William,† eldest son of brother William;" to "Samuel, eldest son of brother Thomas, 20s; to nephew William, eldest son of brother Daniel, 20s; to Thomas, eldest son of brother John, 20s; to James, eldest son of brother Stephen, 20s; to Nathaniel, son of brother Stephen, 20s; to Nathaniel Thorne, son of sister Anne Thorne, £5; and to niece Mary, daughter of brother John, when she shall arrive at the age of eighteen, one feather bed, value £5." His real estate was thus bequeathed: "To nephew John son of brother John, one half the plantation whereon I live being 300 acres; having already made him a deed for the other 200 acres." A life interest to his wife in one-half of the other only excepted, and "if he should die without lawful issue and married, then his widow shall enjoy the said plantation so long as she is his widow, reserving one half to my dear wife, and after John is married or deceased, I give to John's children the remaining 300 acres; but if my nephew John should have issue then I give my said plantation to my nephew John's children;" also:

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* *Liber*, 4, p. 71.

† This shows that Jenings Stevenson, eldest son of William and Ann (Jenings) Stevenson, was dead.

"To my wife and nephew John, all my back lands lying in two tracks, one 150 acres, the other 100 acres lying in company with 100 acres of brother John's to be holden by them, their heirs and assigns forever."

Letters of administration were taken out on the estate of Mary Stevenson by Robert Rockhill on June 30, 1738.

DANIEL STEVENSON.

No. 11. DANIEL STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born in 1692. He remained on Long Island. He was Assessor in Newtown in 1711, Captain of the Newtown Troop in 1715, and Commissioner of Highways in 1721. He married Elizabeth Willett, in Grace Church, Jamaica, Long Island, May 29, 1711. By this marriage he lost his membership in the Society of Friends. Elizabeth Willett was the daughter of Colonel Thomas* and Helena Stoothoff Willett, of Flushing, one of the most prominent public men of the colony of New York. He died in Flushing in 1754.

Daniel and Elizabeth (Willett) Stevenson's children were, as far as known:

XLIII. William, called the oldest son in Nathaniel Stevenson's will in 1736.

XLIV. John.

STEPHEN STEVENSON.

No. 12. STEPHEN STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) never removed to New Jersey. He lived at first in his native town, Newtown, Long Island, where he was Assessor in 1729. Afterwards he removed to Rye, Westchester County, N. Y., in which place his will † is dated, October 16, 1731. His wife was Jane Clement, daughter of James and Sarah (Hinchman) Clement, of Flushing. Her grandfather, also named James, was an early Quaker settler in the latter town. He wrote the

* A short Biography of Elizabeth Stevenson's father, Col. Thomas Willett, is given under No. 18.

† *Liber* II, p. 116, New York.

deed for the lot upon which the Friends' Meeting House was built in 1696, for which service he received eleven shillings and four pence. Three of James Clement's (the first) sons and one daughter removed to West New Jersey.

Stephen and Jane Stevenson's children were :

XLV. James, born 1727. He is named in his uncle Nathaniel Stevenson's will of 1736 as the oldest son. He lived at Rye. His will * is dated in 1769. Had issue : John Stevenson ; James Stevenson ; Nathaniel Stevenson, born 1752, lived at Pine Plains, Dutchess County, N. Y., and died in 1861 ; Sarah Stevenson, married Col. Gabriel Christie ; Abigail Stevenson ; Jane Stevenson, born in 1747 ; Susannah Stevenson, born in 1750 ; Anne Stevenson, born in 1754, married —— Powell.

XLVI. Nathaniel, left a bequest by his uncle Nathaniel Stevenson.

XLVII. Abigail, married in "Friend's Meeting," Harrison, Westchester County, N. Y., 17 day, 9 mo., 1742, Benjamin, son of Richard and Hannah (Thorne) Cornell, of the Manor of Scarsdale. His will † is dated March 26, 1763, and was probated August 21, 1771. The widow survived him. Their children were Stephen, Benjamin, both under age at the date of the will, Hannah, Jane Deborah, Ann Phoebe and Abigail ; the two last were minors.

XLVIII. Anne died ‡ unmarried in 1753.

SUSANNAH STEVENSON.

No. 13. SUSANNAH STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born 12 day, 5 mo., 1694. She married Thomas Betts, of Newtown, born 22 day, 5 mo., 1689. Their children were :

Anne, born 14 day, 10 mo., 1714.
Thomas, born 1 day, 9 mo., 1716 ; died young.
John, born 15 day, 7 mo., 1718.
Stephen, born 26 day, 1 mo., 1720.
Thomas, } twins, born 18 day, 12 mo., 1722.
Susannah, }

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* *Liber* 27, p. 22, New York.

† *Liber* 25, p. 28, New York.

‡ "Westchester County, N. Y. I do hereby certify that pursuant to trust hereby reposed in me, I have admitted Benjamin Cornell, of New Rochelle, in county aforesaid, brother-in-law and principal creditor of Anne Stevenson, deceased, administrator of all and singular, the goods, chattels and credits which were of the said Anne Stevenson of the purchase in the township of Rye, in the county aforesaid, deceased, who died intestate on the 12 day of March, 1753. ISRAEL HONEYWELL, Surrogate."

Susannah Betts died 23 day, 1 mo., 1723. Soon after the death of his first wife, Thomas Betts * (about 1725) married, out of Meeting, Susanna, born 14 day, 11 mo., 1704, daughter of Nathaniel and Patience (Bull) Field, who on "ye 14, ye 7 mo., 1730," made the following acknowledgment of her error, the original of which is pasted on page 38 of Chesterfield, N. J., Friends' Records.

"*To the Monthly Meeting of Women Friends in Chesterfield :*"

"friends it hath been a long time in my mind to acquaint you with my desire to be in unity with you, I being Sensible that the way of my marrying was Contrary to the discipline established amongst you which has been a great Example to my mind, now desiring the unity and fellowship of those that follow Christ I conclude with Love." "SUSANNA BETTS."

This appearance in New Jersey is explained by a deed † dated October 10, 1727, which recites that "John and Margaret Stevenson of the County of Burlington," N. J., convey to "Thomas Betts, late of Newtown, Long Island, all that plantation where he now liveth on the north side of Doctor's Creek," containing 400 acres.

Thomas Betts died of small pox 31 day, 3 mo., 1747, having previously made his will which is dated 6 day, 4 mo., of the same year, and was probated 23 day, 2 mo., 1747. It begins, "I, Thomas Betts, of the township of *Newtown*, County of *Bucks*, and Province of *Pennsylvania*;" it leaves special bequests to some of his children, but finally gives the residue of his estate "to my dearly and well beloved wife to dispose of among mine and her children, to wit : Patience Betts, Richard Betts, Mercy Betts, Zachariah Betts, Miriam Betts and William Betts." "To my first wife's children, to wit: Thomas Betts, John Betts, Stephen Betts and Susannah Field."

Of these children Zachariah Betts, born in 1736, married first in 1764, Rachael Bye, and had issue : Jesse Betts, who

* "Thomas Betts was the son of Thomas Betts, Senior. His grandfather, Richard Betts, came from Hensel-Hempstead in Hertfordshire, England, and settled in New England, in 1648. A few years afterwards he removed to Newtown, Long Island. He was a member of the Provincial Assembly that met in Hempstead, in that province, in 1665; "High Sheriff" of the Riding of Yorkshire, Long Island, from 1678 to 1681; for many years a magistrate and member of the High Court of Assizes. Richard Betts died November 18, 1713, aged 100 years."—Riker's Annals of Newtown.

† *Liber* F, p. 311.

married Hannah Paxson in 1787; second, Bathsheba Casey in 1770, and had issue: Mary Betts, who married John Hampton; Samuel Betts, who married Grace Bile; Miriam Betts, who married Joseph Lownes; third, Mary Lesey in 1779, and had issue: Esther Betts, born in 1780, died, unmarried, in 1859; Mercy Betts, who married James Lownes; Thomas Betts, born 1784, who married Mary Baker; Susannah Betts, who married in John Stabler; Joseph Betts, died unmarried; and Zachariah Betts, born in 1795, who married Maria Mitchell, and died in 1868.*

ANN STEVENSON.

No. 14. ANN STEVENSON (Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) married Samuel Thorne † 10 day, 9 mo., 1715. The latter was the son of Joseph and Martha (Bowne) Thorne, of Flushing, and was born 12 day, 5 mo., 1696. The family remained on Long Island, but several of Samuel Thorne's uncles removed to New Jersey and became large land-owners and slave-holders.

Samuel and Ann Thorne's children were:

Joseph, born 19 day, 2 mo., 1717.
Thomas, born 11 day, 7 mo., 1719.
Nathaniel, born 14 day, 11 mo., 1720-21.
Samuel, born 3 day, 8 mo., 1723.

Ann Thorne died 19 day, 3 mo., 1724.

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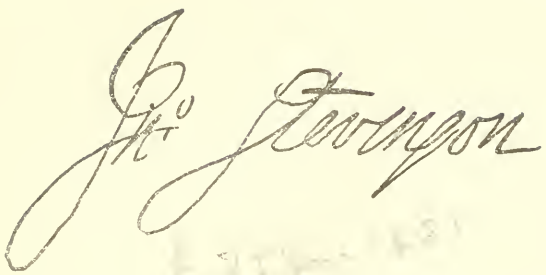
* From the family documents of Mrs. Howard M. Cooper, Camden, N. J.

† William Thorne, grandfather of Samuel Thorne, came from Dorsetshire, England, and was one of the patentees who founded the town of Flushing, Long Island, in 1645.

CHAPTER V.



No. 15. JOHN STEVENSON (Edward[2], Thomas[1]) was the son of Edward and Charity (Field) Stevenson, of Newtown, Long Island. He was born about 1682. Being the oldest son he took the place of his father, after the latter's death, in 1700. He was Commissioner of Highways in his native town in 1703, Assessor in 1705, and Town Clerk from 1706 to 1708. In 1711 he closed out the interest of his father's estate in the fulling mill. He invested in New Jersey lands and seems at first to have thought of settling there, as on May 4, 1704, he bought of his cousin, William Stevenson, one-half (480 acres) of the Governor Jenings' plantation of Green Hill, it being that part of it which lay within the town bounds of Burlington, but in a few years (1709) he transferred the title to his brother Elnathan Stevenson. He also bought some smaller plantations in Mansfield Township, in the same county of Burlington, and located some surveys elsewhere. His largest purchase was a tract of 2100 acres in Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, being part of the survey that William Stevenson and Benjamin Field had made there as previously mentioned. The deed * is dated October 12, 1712. This land he bequeathed to his sons.

John Stevenson removed from Newtown to Westchester County, New York, in 1710, in which year he bought 311

* *Liber* AAA, p. 422.

acres of Charles Morgan at Throg's Neck. * There was a ferry attached to this place and it therefore lay in the route of travel from the main land to Long Island. Thomas Chalkley, a celebrated Quaker preacher and missionary, in his journal, writes, under date of December, 1725, that, after holding a meeting at Rye and Mamaroneck, "From thence we travelled to Westchester, and had a meeting there on sixth day of the week, intending to go over the ferry next day to Long Island, but the wind being high and boisterous we could not go over; we tarried three nights at the house of John Stephenson, where we were lovingly and generously entertained."

John Stevenson served as Commissioner of Highways in 1722 and 1723. He died 2 day, 3 mo., 1728. He married Abigail, daughter of —— and Mary Perkins, of Flushing. His will is dated February 7, 1727, and was probated in 1728. In it he names his wife Abigail, sons Edward, James, John and Benjamin—the three last minors; daughters Mary Jones, wife of Evin Jones; Charity and Abigail, and mother-in-law, Mary Perkins, deceased. His executors were his "*uncles*"—Robert Field, Jonathan Whitehead and Col. William Willett.

John and Abigail Stevenson's children were:

XLIX. Edward.

L. James, who lived in Monmouth County, New Jersey. He and his two younger brothers inherited the Amwell land of their father, John Stevenson. One deed † of sale, bearing date June 1, 1743, recites that "James Stevenson of Shrewsbury, Monmouth County, New Jersey," and "John Stevenson of Flushing, Long Island," convey to William Kase 400 acres in Amwell, out of 2100 acres that "John Stevenson by will recorded in New York divided among three sons, James, John and Benjamin." If one dies under 21 years of age his share was to go to the others. "Benjamin deceased and his share descended to his oldest brother Edward," but on January 2, 1742, the latter deeded it to his brothers James and John. These last-named brothers purchased "Rights" both in East and West Jersey, which they located from time to time and sold the land to actual settlers. James Stevenson served as Sheriff of Monmouth County, his recognizance being filed in the office at Perth Amboy, November 23, 1739.‡ His will is

* From papers of F. W. Jackson, of Throg's Neck, who now owns part of the land.
† *Liber* EF, p. 408.
‡ "New Jersey Archives," Vol. XV, p. 93.

dated at Middletown, New Jersey, October 10, 1783. It mentions his brother John, his sister-in-law Anna Stevenson and his nephews Samuel and Benjamin.

LI. John.

LII. Benjamin, died unmarried.

LIII. Mary, married Evin Jones.

LIV. Abigail, married Capt. Thomas Willett (February 17, 1736), son of Col. William Willett, of Cornell's Neck. Their children were: Gilbert Willett, married Martha Oakley in 1761; Benjamin, born May 10, 1740; Anastasia, married Thomas McElworth, October 3, 1760; Capt. John, born 1744, died in Philadelphia, February 2, 1791; Mary; Isaac, born June 8, 1750; Anna, married William Bartow, born 1759; and Euphemia Willett.

LV. Charity, married Thomas, son of Isaac and Elizabeth Hicks, about 1740. They lived at Middletown, Monmouth County, N. J. Thomas Hicks in his will * advises his wife and sons to consult with their uncle, James Stevenson, of Middletown, in settling the estate. Their children were: George Hicks, Evan Hicks, Abigail Hicks and Oliver Hicks, who married Catherine Cook, and had issue: Oliver Hicks, who married Jane Conolly; and Abigail Hicks, who married Stephen S. Tallman. The marriage license for Oliver Hicks, of Middletown, to marry Catherine Cook, of Shrewsbury, is dated March 10, 1775; George Rapelyea of the former place being the bondsman.

ELNATHAN STEVENSON.

No. 16. ELNATHAN STEVENSON (Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Edward and Charity (Field) Stevenson, of Newtown, Long Island, was born about 1685. His father having deceased in 1700, his mother remained a widow until her death in 1724. On November 4, 1701, "Charity Stevenson, of Queens County, Long Island," bought of Benjamin Field 1000 acres "above the Falls of the Delaware," afterwards Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, N. J. On January 24, 1704, Charity Stevenson conveys 500 acres of this tract to "my beloved son Elnathan Stevenson." † The deed was acknowledged before a Justice in Queens County, Long Island. The son was not

* Thomas Hicks' will is dated December 23, 1768, and was probated February 1, 1786.—*Liber* 28, p. 286.

† *Liber* D, p. 498.

of age at this time, but it is an illustration of a curious transaction not infrequent in colonial days in New Jersey, wherein parents executed deeds of land to junior sons who were not of age; thus making provisions for them in the future, as otherwise the oldest son, under the English law, inherited all the real estate. If there was a will to the contrary, this son held a lien on the title which could only be perfected by the purchaser of the land buying out the right of "the heir-at-law."

Elnathan Stevenson never lived on this land, but bequeathed it to his children. His brother, John Stevenson, as before-mentioned, having purchased in 1704, one-half the plantation of Green Hill of Gov. Samuel Jenings (480 acres), in the town bounds of Burlington, conveyed the title to his brother Elnathan, September 17, 1709. Part of this land remains to this day in the possession of the latter's descendants of the name and has led to the mistaken belief that they were lineal descendants of Governor Jenings. Elnathan Stevenson lived and died on this plantation. His will * is dated at Burlington, September 11, 1748, and was probated December 4th the same year. In it he bequeaths to his son Elnathan, the plantation where he lives, if his widow marries, or the son arrives at 21 years; "to son Cornel, 250 acres of land in Hunterdon County, as it is surveyed and divided from my tract adjoining to a lot formerly conveyed to his brother Thomas, with the dwelling-house that was built by Phillip Phillips; to son Edward, 250 acres in said Hunterdon County, adjoining my son Cornel's, if he arrives at 21 years; to son Benjamin, if he arrives at 21 years, 160 acres to be laid off from where I now dwell."

Elnathan Stevenson married, about 1715, Sarah, daughter of Richard and Sarah Cornell of Flushing, Long Island, who were enumerated in 1698 as residents of Flushing, with a family composed of children: Richard, Sarah, Elizabeth, Mary; and six negro servants. In 1711, both Richard and his son of the name paid tithes, in provisions, in Flushing. Richard Cornell's grandfather, Thomas Cornell, (born in 1595), with his wife Rebecca, *nee* Briggs, emigrated from Essex, England, to Boston, in 1635, where he lived two years, and from there removed to Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he resided

* *Liber* 6, p. 246.

four years. He received from Director-General Kieft, of New Netherlands, on July 26, 1646, a grant of land near Westchester, which he called, "Cornell's Neck." From the report of a law suit between his heirs and the Pells we learn that he removed to this place and improved the land. After some years, having given offence to the Indians they burnt his house, whereupon he went back to Portsmouth, where he died in 1655-6. It further appears from this dispute that Thomas Cornell's widow, as executrix of his will, conveyed Cornell's Neck to her oldest daughter, Sarah, and her sister. This daughter Sarah, (having married first, Thomas Willett), after her second marriage to Charles Bridges, conveyed the property to her oldest son, William Willett, who obtained a new patent for it, April 19, 1667, and thereafter it bore the name of Willett's Neck.

One of the emigrant Thomas Cornell's sons, was Richard, born in 1630, who appears in Flushing. He was sent from this town to New Amsterdam, in 1663, to make arrangements for the payment of tithes*. Next, Richard Cornell was elected, from that town, a member of the New York Assembly that met at Hempstead, Long Island, in March, 1664-5. In the will of Edward Jesop, of West Farms, Westchester County, signed on August 1, 1666, he appoints "my friends Sarah Bridges and Mr. Richard Cornhill, Justice of the Peace," two of his overseers. Richard Cornell subsequently removed from Flushing to Rockaway, Long Island, at which place his will † is dated November 7, 1693. It was probated October 30, 1694. In this instrument he appoints his wife Elizabeth, executrix, and his sons "Richard and William, and Col. Thomas Willett, Lt. Col. Thomas Hicks and Capt. Daniel Whitehead, overseers."

Elnathan and Sarah Stevenson's children were :

LVI. Thomas, born June 14, 1719.
LVII. Cornel, born 10 day, 12 mo., 1724-25.
LVIII. Elnathan, born June 24, 1729.
LIX. Edward, born April 3, 1739.
LX. Benjamin, born July 31, 1741.
LXI. Sarah, born November 20, 1721. She declared her intention a second time in Burlington Monthly Meeting on 7 day, 4 mo., 1742, to marry Joseph Hedger. The marriage took

* "Documentary History of New York." Vol. XIV, page 531.
† *Liber* B, p. 4, New York Surrogate's office.

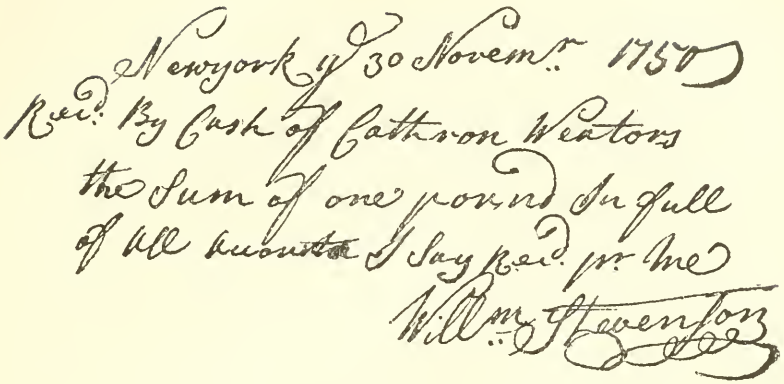
place 10 day, 4 mo., 1742. The record says "he son of Eliakim Hedger of Somerset County; she daughter of Elnathan Stevenson of Burlington."

LXII. Charity, born November 21, 1723. The marriage license to marry William Pettit of Evesham, Burlington County, is dated February 17, 1746-47. The latter was a descendant of an early settler of that name in Newtown, Long Island. He was made on September 22, 1748, administrator to the estate of his brother-in-law, Thomas Stevenson, who had just died on his plantation in Amwell, Hunterdon County, and whose oldest son was but 7 years old. He appeared to have lived on the place for a time, but subsequently he located near Coryell's Ferry, (New Hope) Bucks County Penna. He was Captain of the first military company raised in that vicinity. William and Charity Pettit's children were: William, born November 7, 1748; Daniel, Elnathan, Samuel, John, Sarah, Elizabeth and Charity. His wife Charity dying he married a second one, Lydia ——.

LXIII. Ann, born July 11, 1727, took license to marry John Norcross, October 4, 1756. The latter was a grandson of William and Elizabeth Norcross, of Barton, England, who with four children arrived in the Delaware River in 1699. John Norcross' father, also named William, married Rebecca Petty, April 30, 1720. John and Ann Norcross' children were: Susanna, born September 1, 1759; Abigail, born October 16, 1758; Elijah, born September, 1760, and John, born July 8, 1763.

LXIV. Elizabeth, born October 17, 1733, took license to marry Aaron Carman, April 7, 1759.

WILLIAM STEVENSON.



No. 17. WILLIAM STEVENSON (Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Edward and Charity (Field) Stevenson, of Newtown, Long Island, was born between 1690 and 1700. He remained with his widowed mother in his native place until her decease in 1724. He was Assessor there in 1723, and during part of 1724; but toward the close of this year he appears in Burlington, New Jersey. In the Trenton, N. J., Book of Deeds AF, p. 498, is recorded a release dated October 17, 1724, which says: "I, John Stevenson of Westchester, New York;" "for love of Brother William of the township of Burlington, county of Burlington, release all my rights in a tract of 500 acres, it being one half part of that 1000 acres which my mother Charity bought of Benjamin Field November 4, 1704." William Stevenson was then probably staying with his brother Elnathan.

The release deed was necessitated by the English law of primogeniture, whereby the oldest son inherited the title to all the real estate of his parents, notwithstanding a will to the contrary. The Quakers favored the equal distribution of land among their sons; daughters rarely being bequeathed any real property if they had brothers. This is shown in the present case. On October 10, 1753, William Stevenson had his share of the above land resurveyed by the Surveyor-General, which survey is duly recorded in *Liber* SC, p. 150, in his office in Burlington. It states that "Benjamin Field

sold 1000 acres to Charity, widow and relict of Edward Stevenson, late of Long Island, deceased; Charity Stevenson made a will and devised it to her sons William and Elnathan." A partition was made between them November 8, 1726. The record proceeds to give the boundaries of William Stevenson's land, and says that instead of 500 acres, as originally surveyed, it contained 815½ acres, besides allowance for highways, usually fifty acres. To make good his title to the surplusage the entry notes that William Stevenson located 300 acres of "Rights," and bought 15½ acres more of John Reading, who was a land agent in that neighborhood. The release of John Stevenson, the eldest son, to his brother William perfected the latter's title; while, as previously mentioned, the deed executed by the mother to Elnathan, the other brother, although a minor, was sufficient confirmation of his right to his share.

The record in the Surveyor-General's Office is corroborated by the deed* dated April 27, 1753, whereby "Mahlon Kirkbride of Makefield, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, yeoman," conveys to "William Stevenson of *Yancoss*, Westchester County, New York, yeoman," 300 acres out of a warrant from the Council of Proprietors, and also by the deed† from John Reading, dated April 13, the same year.

It appears from the above transactions that William Stevenson, after he had secured his share of his mother's estate in New Jersey by a division in 1726, returned to New York, locating at Yonkers, where his children were educated, and in which place some of them married before his return to his final home in New Jersey.‡

William Stevenson married, in 1721, Hannah Hicks.

Hannah Hicks, born in 1704, was the daughter of Thomas and Deborah§ (Whitehead) Hicks, of Flushing. Her emigrant ancestor was Robert Hicks, of London, England,

Liber AF, p. 500.

† *Liber* AF, p. 503.

‡ William Stevenson was a witness to the will of Frederick Van Courtland, of Yonkers, in 1749, and one of the executors of the will of Leonard Brown, of Yonkers, in 1752.

§ Major Daniel Whitehead in his will (1703) bequeaths to "my daughter Deborah, wife of Thomas Hicks, my negro woman Mary, after the death of my wife." "To my grandson Whitehead Hicks, the second son of my son-in-law Thomas Hicks, husband of my daughter Deborah, my land and meadow lying in the Township of Flushing except four 20 acre lots given to his son Thomas."

who emigrated to America in the ship "Fortune," which reached Plymouth, Massachusetts, on November 11, 1621. His wife Margaret arrived in the ship "Ann" in June of the following year. The family settled in Duxbury, Massachusetts. His son John, born 1609, was by a first wife, Elizabeth Morgan. He was left in England to be educated, but afterwards followed his father to the new world, reaching Weymouth, Massachusetts, in 1635, and settling in Newport, Rhode Island, in 1638. He joined the colony that founded Flushing, Long Island, and his name is among those to whom a patent was granted by Director-General Kieft, October 10, 1645. Afterwards he removed to Hempstead. He was elected by that town, in March, 1664–65, to the New York Assembly which enacted the "Duke's Laws." John Hicks' children were by his first wife, Herodias Long. Late in life he married Florence, the widow of John Carman.

His only son, Thomas Hicks, was born in 1640, and lived to the age of 100 years. He was commissioned a Judge of the Court of Queens County in 1691. Jacob Leisler, the usurping governor of New York, issued a warrant on February 15, 1689, to arrest Thomas Dongan, Col. Thomas Willett, Capt. Thomas Hicks, Daniel Whitehead and Edward Antill, Esq., and to bring them before the Council. Thomas Hicks married, first, Mary, widow of John Washburn, and daughter of Richard Butler, of Stratford, Connecticut; second, Mary Doughty, in 1677.

Thomas Hicks, Junior, the father of Hannah Stevenson, was the oldest son by the first wife, Mary Washburn. He was born in 1667. He married Deborah, daughter of Major Daniel and Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead, and died in 1712. His widow, Deborah, died the same year. In the latter's will, probated October 12, 1712, she leaves her daughter Hannah to "*her cousins*, Robert and Phœbe Field, to be brought up in the way of truth and fear of the Lord." This meant the doctrines of the Society of Friends, to which her husband and the Fields belonged, while the Whiteheads were adherents of the Church of England.*

William and Hannah Stevenson's children were:

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* From the MSS. Documents of Benjamin D. Hicks, Old Westbury, Long Island.

LXV. Robert.
LXVI. Edward.
LXVII. John.
LXVIII. Thomas, born,—— ; married Effie Alsop, by license issued in New York, November 3, 1762. He is buried in St. Paul's Church yard, Eastchester, New York ; no issue.
LXIX. William, born,—— ; unmarried. Made his will February 7, 1760, and says he is about to take the small-pox ; probated May 7, 1764.
LXX. Augustine.
LXXI. Cornelius.
LXXII. Mary, died unmarried at the house of her brother, Robert Stevenson, in Philadelphia.
LXXIII. Deborah.
LXXIV. Charity.
LXXV. Susannah.
LXXVI. Phœbe, born March 31, 1734 ; married Israel Honeywell * (born December 31, 1714) June 27, 1768. She was his second wife. He died October 27, 1790.
LXXVII. Sarah, married John Stillwell, son of Nicholas. Their children were Elizabeth, married Edward Roberts ; Mary, married —— Boozenburg ; Phœbe, married Samuel Van Cleve ; Sarah, married first, —— Brown, second, Joseph Van Cleve (second wife); Hannah, married —— Johnson ; William, died single ; Cornelius, married —— Blackwell ; Charity, married Joseph Van Cleve (first wife) ; Daniel married Barsheba Hoff.

CHARITY STEVENSON.

No. 18. CHARITY STEVENSON (Edward[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of Edward and Charity (Field) Stevenson of Newtown, Long Island, married Col. Thomas Willett† of Flushing,

* From the family Bible of Israel Honeywell, Junior, (1748) in possession of Mrs. Dr. Schuyler, Utica, New York.

† Col. Thomas Willett was the youngest of two brothers, sons of Thomas Willett of Bristol, England, who emigrated to America and settled at Hempstead, Long Island. Thomas Willett, Senior, married, in the Reformed Dutch Church in New Amsterdam, on September 1, 1643, Sarah, daughter of Thomas Cornell, of Cornell's Neck. He died in 1647, leaving two sons, William and Thomas. William inherited, through his mother, Cornell's Neck, which has been previously described under No. 16. Col. Thomas Willett was baptized in the above-named church, January 29, 1644. He married first, Helena, daughter of Elbert Elbertse Stoothoff, of Flatlands, and, second, Charity Stevenson. He made his residence in Flushing. Upon the death of his brother William, without issue, in 1701, he fell heir to Cornell's, or, as it was then called, Willett's Neck, which in 1709 he transferred to his son William.

license dated January 13, 1705, She was his second wife, and died in 1712. Her only child was Mary Willett, born ——, who married on May 16, 1723, Samuel *, son of Dr. Thomas Rodman of Flushing.

SUSANNAH STEVENSON.

No. 19. SUSANNAH STEVENSON (Edward[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of Edward and Charity (Field) Stevenson, married Abraham Willett, son of Col. Thomas and Helena (Stoothoff) Willett, May 1, 1713, in Grace Church, Jamaica, Long Island. Abraham Willett afterwards joined the Quakers.

By this marriage the matrimonial connections of the Stevensons and Willetts became somewhat mixed. Susannah's sister, Charity Stevenson, was the second wife of her husband's father Col. Thomas Willett, so that her sister became her mother-in-law; while her brother John Stevenson's daughter Abigail, married her husband's nephew Thomas Willett of Westchester. But besides this, Susannah's sister-in-law Elizabeth Willett married the former's first cousin

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Col. Thomas Willett took an active part in military affairs, and rose by promotion. He was a Lieutenant in 1673, a Major in 1685, and Colonel of a regiment of 1500 men in 1691–3, composed of foot and horse of Queens County militia. On August 26, 1688, he was commissioned Sheriff of his county. When Leisler usurped the government of New York in 1689, Colonel Willett took sides against him for which he was ordered under arrest. He served as a member of Governor Slaughter's Council from 1689 to 1691; a member of Governor Fletcher's Council from 1691 to 1693, and of Governor Bellemont's Council in 1698, from which latter position he was suspended. He was elected to the New York Assembly on 1711, and served as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Queens County, from 1703 to 1723.

Col. Thomas Willett was a member and vestryman of Grace Church, Jamaica, L. I. During Lord Cornbury's administration as Governor of New York, he was summoned before him to explain the disputes between the congregation of that church and the Independents. His will is dated August 19, 1722, and was probated October 11, 1723. He had nine children by his first wife, viz: Major William Willett, born in 1668, married, first, a daughter of Robert and Susannah Field, of Newtown; second, on December 12, 1722, Mary, *nee* Hinchman, and widow of William Bloodgood; Capt. Thomas Willett, born in 1672, married, first, August 24, 1695, Sarah, daughter of Thomas Hinchman; second, Kezia, daughter of Samuel Thorne, Jr.; Elbert Willett, born in 1678, married, May 7, 1701, Johanna, daughter of Rev. Rudolphus Van Varick; Sarah Willett, married, October 9, 1695, Jacobus DeKay; Helena Willett, baptized March 27, 1681, married William Hartshorne, May 1, 1713; Elizabeth Willett, born in 1692, married Daniel, son of Thomas and Ann Stevenson, of Newtown, May 24, 1711; Charles Willett; Cornelius Willett; Abraham Willett married, May 1, 1713, Susannah, daughter of Edward and Charity Stevenson; John Willett married September 14, 1714, Mary, daughter of Dr. John and Mary Rodman.

* Their descendants may be found in the genealogy of the Rodman family.

Daniel Stevenson; thus she became sister-in-law and cousin to the same person.

Abraham Willett's will is dated December 10, 1756, and was probated March 18, 1757, in which he names his wife and children, and leaves his wife and sons, Abraham and Thomas, executors. The witnesses were Jonathan Willett, Charles Hedger and Thomas Hicks, Jr.

Abraham and Susannah Willett's children were:

Charity Willett, born 1714, died May 5, 1735.
Helena Willett, born 9 day, 11 mo., 1715, married Joseph Rodman.
Abraham Willett, born 1717, married Hannah Lawrence.
Margaret Willett, born 1719, died young.
Susannah Willett, born 1722, married Samuel Cornell (marriage license dated August 1, 1768).
Thomas Willett, born 1727, died unmarried.
Mary Willett, born 1729, died unmarried.
Edward Willett, born 1737.

CHAPTER VI.

FOURTH GENERATION.

ANN STEVENSON.

No. 20. ANN STEVENSON (Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born 6 day, 12 mo., 1704. She was "permitted" at Fall's Meeting, Bucks County, Penna., on 5 day, 3 mo., 1725, to marry William Biles. The genealogy of the latter has been previously given (in No. XX). He resided in Bucks County. His wife Ann deceased 8 day, 3 mo., 1734, and he afterwards married a second wife, Jane ——. William Biles' will is dated in 1770, and was probated in 1775. In this instrument he names his sons William, Thomas; daughters Susannah Thorn and Ann Mott; grandson William Douglas; granddaughter Sarah Baker; and wife Jane.

His children by Ann Stevenson were:

William, probably deceased in 1773, as Thomas is then named as eldest son.

Thomas, named heir-at-law to Thomas Stevenson, his deceased grandfather.

Ann, who married Asher Mott.

Susannah, who married Thomas Thorne and had the following children, viz.: Joseph Thorne, born 12 day, 2 mo., 1761, died 28 day, 9 mo., 1822; Benjamin Thorne, born 5 day, 1 mo., 1763, died 13 day, 6 mo., 1846; Ann Thorne, born 4 day, 5 mo., 1764, married John Taylor; William B. Thorne, born 26 day, 3 mo., 1766, died 17 day, 11 mo., 1796; George Thorne, born 29 day, 8 mo., 1767, died 7 day, 10 mo., 1843; Langhorne Thorne, born 8 day, 3 mo., 1769; Sarah Thorne, born 9 day, 10 mo., 1772, died 2 day, 1 mo., 1774; Enoch Thorne, born 6 day, 1 mo., 1775, died 12 day, 2 mo., 1826; and Thomas Thorne, born 17 day, 2 mo., 1782, died 2 day, 8 mo., 1846.

SARAH STEVENSON.

No. 21. SARAH STEVENSON (Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born 6 day, 1 mo., 1706. On 1 day, 8 mo., 1724, Benjamin Field requested a certificate from Chesterfield Meeting to Neshaminy (Middletown) Meeting, Pennsylvania, on account of marriage. He was married to Sarah Stevenson at the latter meeting on 29 day, 8 mo., 1724. He was the son of Benjamin and Experience (Allen) Field and was born 1 day, 1 mo., 1698-9; a short sketch of his career is given in No. XXI. Benjamin Field died 12 day, 11 mo., 1749. His children by Sarah Stevenson* were:

Sarah Field, born 29 day, 2 mo., 1725; married William Stockdale 12 day, 2 mo., 1746.
Susannah Field, born 25 day, 10 mo., 1726; married John Lloyd 20 day, 7 mo., 1750.
Benjamin Field, born 1 day, 11 mo., 1728.
Ann Field, born 21 day, 8 mo., 1730; married John Brown 20 day, 7 mo., 1750.
Elizabeth Field, born 1 day, 9 mo., 1732; married George Brown.
Thomas Field, 1st, born 13 day, 10 mo, 1734
Thomas Field, 2nd, born 3 day, 5 mo., 1737; died in 1782.
Mary Field, born 26 day, 5 mo., 1739.
Edward Field, born 14 day, 6 mo., 1740.

No. 22. SAMUEL STEVENSON (Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of Thomas and Sarah (Penington-Jenings) Stevenson, was born 25 day, 6 mo., 1708. He lived in Bucks County, Penna., until after the death of his mother, when he removed, about 1737, into Bethlehem, afterwards Kingwood Township, Hunterdon County, N. J. His name is on the list

* Sarah Stevenson appears to have been a second wife, as Benjamin Field in 6 mo., 1721, declared his intention a second time in the Middletown, Penna., Meeting to marry Sarah Gilbert.

of voters in this township under date of October, 1738. Being the oldest son he was his father's heir-at-law, and we find that certain purchasers of his father's real estate deemed it best to secure a release deed from the son after having purchased the land from the executors under the will. On February 7, 1755, William Henn obtains a release for £15. The deed says: * "Samuel Stevenson of Kingwood, Hunterdon County, N. J., eldest son and heir-at-law of Thomas Stevenson, late of Bucks County, in the Province of Pennsylvania, releases to William Henn, of Roxbury, Morris County, N. J., the plantation in Roxbury where he now dwells containing 300 acres, 50 acres being allowed for highways." On August 10, 1758, Joseph Pancoast obtains a similar release. †

Samuel Stevenson attended the Middletown Friends Meeting, in Bucks County, where the births of his children are recorded up to 1742. Subsequently he was connected with the Quakertown Meeting in Hunterdon County. In the Minutes of this Meeting is recorded, under date of 13 day, 7 mo., 1750, "Samuel Stevenson of the friends appointed to attend the last quarterly meeting (the other friend being sick could not attend) reports that he attended the same, and the quarterly meeting sent a copy of their minutes by him, whereby they confirmed the judgement of this meeting in affirming the place where the Meeting-house ought to be built at the Great Meadows."

Samuel Stevenson married in Abingdon, Pennsylvania, on 3 day, 8 mo., 1730, Elizabeth, daughter of Arthur ‡ and —— (Naylor) Searle. Their children § were:

LXXVIII. Rebecca, born 22 day, 6 mo., 1731.
LXXIX. Thomas, born 25 day, 5 mo., 1733.
LXXX. Sarah, born 30 day, 8 mo., 1735.

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* *Liber* L, p. 393.

† *Liber* O, p. 363.

‡ Arthur Searle was the son of Francis and Joan Searle, who settled in Bucks County, Penna., about 1697. He inherited his father's plantation of 300 acres in Bensalem Township. Afterwards he removed to Middletown Township. He died in 1737, his will being probated October 3, of that year.—Th. Maxwell Potts.

§ The geneological records preserved in the branches of a family in the middle West, indicate that Samuel Stevenson had a younger son whose birth in 1751 is not in the Friends' Records, In the graveyard at Sennett, New York, are tombstones to Arthur Stevenson, who died November 1, 1821, aged 70 years, and his wife Rachael Stevenson, who died July 9, 1852, aged 92 years. The latter's maiden name was Rachael Yard, born January 12, 1760, married in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, before 1785.—MSS. of Mrs. Mary E. C. Zimmerman, Wooster, Ohio.

LXXXI. Jane, born 29 day, 1 mo., 1738.

LXXXII. Elizabeth, born 20 day, 6 mo., 1739, married Richard Mitchell, —, marriage license October 30, 1765. He was the son of John and Margaret (Stackhouse) Mitchell, and was born 18 day, 6 mo., 1739, and died 16 day, 1 mo., 1820, in the eightieth year of his age. His wife Elizabeth died 25 day, —— mo., 1810. They lived in Middletown Township, Bucks County, and were members of the Society of Friends. Their children were: Elizabeth, born 22 day, 9 mo., 1766; Mary, born 7 day, 6 mo., 1768, died 11 mo., 1784; Margaret,* born 24 day, 7 mo., 1770, married Samuel Miller, Jr., —, 1792; Richard Mitchell, born 27 day, 4 mo., 1774; Susan and Ann (twins), born 9 day, 2 mo., 1776; John, born 26 day, 8 mo., 1781; Thomas, born 24 day, 10 mo., 1783, died 1 day, 11 mo., 1785.

LXXXIII. Samuel.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

No. 23. EDWARD STEVENSON (Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), born about 1715, married in Middletown Meeting 8 day, 3 mo., 1745, Grace, daughter of John and Elizabeth Stackhouse of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, born 27 day, 7 mo., 1720.† John Stackhouse was the grandson of Thomas Stackhouse of Stackhouse, Yorkshire, England, who was in Pennsylvania as early as 1682. He located in Bensalem Township, Bucks County, and was a member of the Assembly in 1711, 1713 and 1715.

After his marriage Edward Stevenson removed to New Jersey, taking the following certificate:

"From our MM. in Middletown in ye County of Bucks and province of Pennsylvania held ye 7 day, of ye 9th month, 1745. To ye MM. of friends at Chesterfield in ye County of Burlington and province of West Jersey."

"Dear fr'ds. Application having been made to us in behalf of Edward Stevenson and his wife Who are settled within the compass of your Meeting, Requesting our Certificate for their orderly joining themselves in membership with you, Wherefore Inquiry hath been made concerning them as is usual in Such Cases, after which it doth appear that they had their Birth and Education amongst friends and have been Looked upon and accounted as members of our Society, Therefore as

* "Our Family Ancestors," p. 275.—Th. Maxwell Potts.

† From the MSS. of Powell Stackhouse, Jr., Philadelphia.

Such we recommend them to your Christian Care and oversight, Sincerely Desiring their Growth and prosperity in Piety and Plainness whereby they may adorn our holy profession."

"So with ye Salutation of Love unfrequent we conclude and subscribe our'Selves your frd's, Brethern and Sisters."

"Signed in and on behalf of our s'd Meeting by BENJAMIN CUTLER ; Clerk, MARY PAXSON."

He transferred his membership from the latter place to the Philadelphia Meeting, the certificate bearing date 6 day, 5 mo., 1756.

The time of his death is not known, but a deed recorded in New Jersey and dated July 1, 1773, discloses that he was then deceased, that he had no sons, but had three daughters living. Edward and Grace Stevenson's children were :

LXXXIV. Elizabeth, interred in Friends' grave yard at Fifth and Arch streets, Philadelphia.

LXXXV. Sarah.

LXXXVI. Rachel, married Joseph Croasdale 11 day, 9 mo., 1781, at Middletown Meeting.

LXXXVII. Ann, born 1752, died unmarried in 1834, buried at Middletown.

ELIZABETH STEVENSON.

No. 24. ELIZABETH STEVENSON (Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was born about 1712. She declared her intention at Middletown Meeting on 17 day, 2 mo., 1733, to marry Matthew Hughes, Junior, The marriage took place on 17 day, 3 mo., 1733. He was the son of Matthew Hughes, Senior and Elizabeth Biles, the latter being a daughter of the first William Biles. The Hughes' genealogy is given in No. XXIV. Matthew Hughes, Junior, died 23 day, 10 mo., 1755, before his father, who survived him for eleven years. The widow, Elizabeth Hughes, died 17 day, 7 mo., 1767. A petition was presented to Court on December 10, 1764, by the children of Matthew Hughes, Junior, deceased, viz.: Elizabeth Hughes ; Matthew Hughes, Junior ; George Hughes, Junior ; Joshua Ely, Junior ; Isaac and Hannah Hughes, and Andrew Ellicott, the widow, children, and "guardians of the minor children of Matthew Hughes, Junior, deceased, of Bucking-

ham."—"Matthew, George, Elizabeth, wife of Joshua Ely, your petitioners, Isaac and Hannah being of full age, and Sarah, Humphrey, Mary, Thomas and Constantine, minors, your petitioners ask you to appoint Thomas Watson, John Wilkinson, Titus Fell, Alexander Brown and Thomas Leins to divide said lands and estimate the widow's dower or thirds thereon." Orphans Court Book, 1750-1756, page 398.

The children of Matthew Hughes, Junior, and Elizabeth Stevenson were :

Matthew Hughes, born 3 day, 1 mo., 1733-4.
George, born 17 day, 8 mo., 1735.
Elizabeth, born 21 day, 1 mo., 1737-8, married Joshua Ely 22 day, 11 mo., 1758.
Isaac, born 15 day, 4 mo., 1740.
Hannah, born 7 day, 3 mo., 1742, married Lt. Col. John Wilkinson,* February, 1770, being the latter's second wife. Hannah (Hughes) Wilkinson died April 18, 1791, her husband having previously deceased, 31 day, 5 mo., 1782.
Sarah Hughes, born 3 day, 10 mo., 1744.
Humphrey Hughes, born 9 day, 3 mo., 1747.
Mary Hughes, born 26 day, 9 mo., 1749.
Thomas Hughes, born 10 day, 1 mo., 1747.
Constantine Hughes, born 8 day, 9 mo., 1754.

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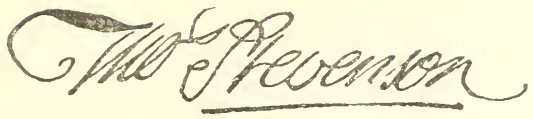
*Lieut.-Col. John Wilkinson was the grandson of Captain Samuel Wilkinson, of Rhode Island, whose son, John, settled in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, about 1711. In this year the latter's son, Lieut.-Col. John Wilkinson was born at Wrightstown in that county. He became a prominent man in his native place. He represented his county in the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1761 and 1762; and in 1763, was appointed a member of the committee to audit the accounts of Benjamin Franklin. He served as a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in 1764, 1770, 1773 and 1774. He was a member of the Committee of Safety and Committee of Correspondence for Bucks County, that had charge of local affairs preparing for the Revolutionary struggle. Lieut.-Col. John Wilkinson was also a member of the Constitutional Convention that met July 15, 1776; At the beginning of the War, he was appointed (August 10, 1775) Lieutenant-Colonel of the 3rd Bucks County Associators. He again became a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in 1776, and once more a member of the Assembly in 1781 and 1782; dying in the latter year. Lieut.-Col. John Wilkinson's first wife, whom he married in 1740, was Mary, daughter of John Lacey. His children by Hannah Hughes were Martha, who married —— Bennett; Ann Lacy, who married Gen. Samuel Smith; Hannah, who married Abner Reeder, May 22, 1796, and Elisha, who married, first, April 11, 1792, Anna Dungan, and, second, Maria Whiteman.—From the family papers of his great-great-grand son, Ogden Dungan Wilkinson, Philadelphia.



No. 34. THOMAS STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), the oldest son of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson was born in 1707 or 1708. His grandfather Gov. Jenings dying in July of the latter year bequeathed him £50. He removed, with his father and stepmother, from Burlington to Hunterdon County in 1727. For a wife he went to Long Island and married, April 30, 1730, in Grace Church, Jamaica, Sarah Whitehead. The latter was the daughter of Jonathan Whitehead who married Sarah Field in 1703, and granddaughter of Major Daniel and Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead. Sarah Whitehead, with her father and mother and seven brothers and sisters were baptized on the same day, April 18, 1713, by the Rev. Mr. Poyer, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Long Island.

Thomas Stevenson by his marriage by a clergyman of the English Church lost his membership in the Friends' Meeting. Immediately on the death of his father, John Stevenson, he released to his stepmother, on Sept. 18, 1744, his right and title, as "oldest son and heir-at-law," to the homestead plantation. He settled on 326 acres on the north side of the "Musconetcong Hills" in Bethlehem Township, Hunterdon County. His name is on the poll list of voters of that township in 1738. He afterwards removed to Rocky Hill, Somerset County. We learn from the *Pennsylvania Gazette* of November 26, 1741, that his house was robbed, and as the advertisement gives an excellent idea of the personal outfit of a well-to-do person of that period it is quoted entire: "Last night the house of Thomas Stevenson at Rocky Hill in Somerset County was robbed of the following things, viz.: one Double Doubloon and about Three Pounds in Jersey Paper Currency, and an old Pocket Book with sundry Notes and Paper in it, also one dark coloured Frize Coat lined with shaloon nearly of the same Colour, one black Crape Jacket lined with black shaloon, one

pair of olive green breeches of tufted Fustian, one Coat and Breeches of fine blue Kersey, and one Jacket of fine blue Cloth, and brown olive Over Coat, a pair of Boots, a black natural pacing Mare with a small white spot just over her Eyes, Bridle and Saddle with blue Housing, fringed; Which robbery was supposed to be committed by one Daniel Williams, an Irish Man of short Stature, pretty well set, with short, black curled Hair. If any Person takes up the said Daniel Williams and brings him back, or secured him, and gives notice to John Carle or Thomas Stevenson of Rocky Hill, so that he may be had again, shall have Five Pounds Reward paid by John Carle or Thomas Stevenson."

Thomas Stevenson's wife, Sarah, was the grand-daughter of Major Daniel and Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead. Major Whitehead was born in 1646. He is sometimes styled junior, as his father bore the same surname and was one of the early settlers of Newtown, on Long Island, dying in 1668, aged 65 years. Daniel Whitehead, Junior, was a wealthy and prominent man, and was one of the patentees of the town of Jamaica. He was a member of the New York Assembly from 1691 to 1701.* He was the Captain of a military company and acquired the title of Major by regular promotion. Major Whitehead died in Jamaica, where his will was dated September 9, 1703. This instrument, which is a long document, was probated October 30, 1704. In it he names all of his children, seven in number. To Jonathan Whitehead (oldest son) he bequeaths, "besides what I have formerly given him by deed," all his lands in Jamaica, "between the Mill and Willin's Path, Lying Westward of the Mill to John Okey's Land, and Southward as far as my land runs, and also my land in Cowneck in the Township of Hempstead, and all that quarter part of the Mill standing in Gildersleeve's Creek in the s'd Neck in Jamaica," except a piece of meadow bought of "Mr. Anthony Waters." After leaving bequests of land, houses and money to all his children, several legacies to other relatives and friends, and £20 to the Town of Jamaica towards the maintenance of a grammar school, he orders all his other lands in Jamaica, Hempstead, Oyster Bay, Nissiqua, in the County of Suffolk, and in the Colony of Connecticut, to be so'd, and the

* Report of New York State Historian, Vol. II, p. 461, series 1897.

proceeds be divided between his two sons, Jonathan and Thomas Whitehead.

Sarah Stevenson's father, Jonathan Whitehead (born in 1672), married, by license July 22, 1697, Sarah, daughter of Robert and Susannah Field, of Newtown, and the sister of the aunt, by marriage, of John Stevenson, her husband's father. Jonathan Whitehead, who lived in Jamaica, was a Justice of the Peace in his county, and succeeded his father, Major Whitehead, as a member of the New York Assembly, serving in that body from 1705 to 1709. He was an active member of Grace (English) Church, Jamaica, and the records of Rev. Thomas Poyer, the Rector, couples his name with some of the most important transactions that took place in that parish. At that day religious disputes between sectarian adherents were frequent, and sometimes they were carried into the civil courts. On October 5, 1702–3, a complaint was made before Justice John Smith that "Jonathan Whitehead, Esq., one of her Majesties Justices set out on a journey with his court mantle behind him on a Sabbath day." When the Justice charged him with the offence, he replied that he broke not the Sabbath day, for he was at church in the forenoon and rode to Newtown in the afternoon.* Jonathan Whitehead's will † is dated January 13, 1736, and was probated July 26, 1739.

Thomas and Sarah Stevenson, so far as known, had but one child :

LXXXVIII. John.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 35. JOHN STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson, appears to have been taken in charge by his uncle Nathaniel Stevenson (No. 10), of Nottingham Township, Burlington County, who before his death, in 1736, had given him 200 acres of his plantation, and by will left to his children 300 acres more. John Stevenson took license, April 2, 1739, to marry Martha Walton, "daughter of Martha Borden, late Walton." His children were :

LXXXIX. John.
XC. Martha.

* Documentary History of New York, Vol. III, p. 300.
† *Liber* 13, p. 338, New York Surrogate's office.

SAMUEL STEVENSON.

No. 36. SAMUEL STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson. There is no record of his birth or marriage. He settled in Nottingham Township, near to his brother John, and dealt considerably in land both in his own neighborhood and in northern New Jersey. His wife was named Elizabeth. His will is dated 27 day, 4 mo., 1791, and was proved on February 20, 1793.* He had one daughter:

XCI. Ann, who took license on January 4, 1769, to marry Joseph Clayton, by whom she appears to have had but one child,—Samuel Clayton.

ANN STEVENSON.

No. 37. ANN STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson, was born about 1711. She married Daniel Doughty, in Chesterfield Friends' Meeting, 3 day, 11 mo., 1729. Daniel Doughty was born 17 day, 10 mo., 1703. His father, Jacob Doughty, was born on Long Island, 14 day, 12 mo., 1671; and his mother, Amy, who was the daughter of Major Daniel and Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead, was born 17 day, 6 mo., 1676. A sketch of Daniel Doughty's eccentric great-grandfather is given under No. 8. His grandfather, Elias Doughty, who lived in Flushing, Long Island, was a delegate, in 1664–5, to the first Provincial Assembly, after the conquest of the New Netherlands by the English, and helped to promulgate what are known as the "Duke's laws." His father, Jacob Doughty, was a Friend and a member of the Flushing Meeting. The latter upon his removal to Burlington County, New Jersey, took a certificate from that meeting, which is dated 1 day, 2 mo., 1714, and presented it to the Chesterfield Meeting. He was elected from Burlington County, a member of the New Jersey Assembly that met in 1716. In the year 1721, he sat as one of the Judges of the Burlington County Court. About

* *Liber* 33, p. 29.

the year 1728 he removed to Hunterdon County, and became one of the Justices of that county in 1730. Daniel Doughty, his son, was elected a member of the New Jersey Assembly, from Hunterdon County, in 1744, and served in the fourteenth and fifteenth assemblies. Shortly after the close of his legislative career he removed to Chesterfield, in Burlington County, taking to the Friends' Meeting there a certificate from Quakertown Meeting, bearing date 14 day, 11 mo., 1748. Daniel Doughty's wife, Ann, died 24 day, 7 mo., 1742. He married second, Edith, widow of Thomas Newbold, by a certificate of permission from the Quakertown Meeting, bearing the date 8 day, 8 mo., 1747. He died in 1778.

Daniel and Ann Doughty's children were :*

Mary, born 27 day, 1 mo., 1731, married William Lovett Smith, brother of the historian, Samuel Smith, on 15 day, 9 mo., 1749, and died 14 day, 12 mo., 1794. Had issue : Lovett Smith, who died young ; Daniel Doughty Smith, who married Elizabeth Schooley ; Anne Smith, who married John Gill ; Elizabeth Smith ; Abigail Smith, who married John Earl ; Mary Smith, who married Barzilla Burr, and William Lovett Smith, who married Eliza Lacy.

Anne Doughty, born 1 day, 2 mo., 1734 ; died 12 day, 7 mo., 1742.

Jacob Doughty, born 4 day, 11 mo., 1736-7 ; died 9 day, 7 mo., 1741.

Mercy Doughty, born 16 day, 4 mo., 1742 ; died 14 day, 7 mo., 1742.

ABIGAIL STEVENSON.

No. 38. ABIGAIL STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson. There is no record of her birth but the following explains her marriage : "At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their Meeting House in Chesterfield, 6th of the 3 mo., 1742, Peter Smoak and Abigail Stevenson declared their Intention of Marriage with each other, it being the first time ; Samuel Large and Thomas Wright are appointed to enquire concerning the conversation and clearance on account of marriage and make report to next Monthly Meeting."

* From Bible in possession of Barclay White, Mount Holly, New Jersey.

"At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in their Meeting House in Chesterfield, the 3rd of 4 mo., 1742, Peter Smoak and Abigail Stevenson the second time appeared at the Meeting and declared their Intention of Marriage. Nothing appearing to obstruct they have liberty to accomplish the same according to good order. Daniel Doughty and Samuel Schooley to attend the marriage."

"At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held at their Meeting in Chesterfield, the 5th of the 6 mo., 1742, the Meeting received a report from Bethlehem Meeting that the marriage of Peter Smoak and Abigail Stevenson was orderly."

Peter Schmuck (Smoak) belonged to the Bethlehem Friends' Meeting. On the 8 day, 1 mo., 1750, he was appointed by it a member of the committee to fix upon a place for building a Meeting-house at Great Meadows, which was accomplished as is evinced by the following minute, entered under date 2 day, 10 mo., 1763. "Agreeable to the direction of the last Q. M., we have appointed Peter Smoak and Jacob Lundy to attend the committee who are to consider the rebuilding of Hardwick Meeting House in order to enform of our agreement concerning the plan of the said house which is as follows, vizt: 40 feet long and 25 feet wide in the clear and one story high. We have raised by subscription at Hardwick and Kingwood the sum of 80 pounds." *

The children of Peter and Abigail (Stevenson) Schmuck were:

Margaret, born 21 day, 3 mo., 1743; died 24 day, 11 mo., 1745.

Elizabeth Schmuck, born 23 day, 9 mo., 1744; married (first intention) Joseph Wilson, 5 day, 12 mo., 1768; died 16 day, 12 mo., 1832.

Anne Schmuck, born 13 day, 10 mo., 1746; married (first intention) Moses Wilson, 14 day, 11 mo., 1776.

Abigail Schmuck, born 27 day, 3 mo., 1748; married (first intention) Jonathan Wilson, 12 day, 3 mo., 1767, marriage 15 day, 4 mo., 1767.

Sarah Schmuck, born 21 day, 2 mo., 1749.

Christian Schmuck, born 23 day, 6 mo., 1752; married Mary Lundy, Jr. (first intention) 12 day, 10 mo., 1775; died 21 day, 9 mo., 1827.

John Schmuck, born 22 day, 6 mo., 1754; died —— 1760.

Christiana Schmuck, born 23 day, 9 mo., 1756; died 1760.

* From the "Records of the Kingwood Monthly Meeting of Friends," by Prof. James W. Moore, published by H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J., pp. 6 and 8.

MERCY STEVENSON.

No. 39. MERCY STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]) was the daughter of John and Mercy (Jenings) Stevenson, and was born about 1719 or 1720. She declared her first intention to marry Benjamin Williams in the Bethlehem (Quakertown) Meeting, 16 day, 7 mo., 1744. Benjamin and Walter Williams, sons of Jeremiah,* presented on 10 day, 4 mo., 1744, a certificate to the Bethlehem Meeting from the Meeting at Westbury, Long Island. After a few years residence in New Jersey, Benjamin Williams removed to Noxmixon Township, Bucks County, Penna., where he died in 1809.

The children of Benjamin and Mercy Williams were :

Mary.
Margaret, married John Iliff.
Lydia, married David Burson.
Ann, married Jacob Ritter.
Susannah.
John.
Jeremiah.
William.
Benjamin.
Samuel, who married Sarah Watson.

WILLIAM STEVENSON.

No. 40. WILLIAM STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Margaret (Wood) Stevenson, was born 1 day 12 mo., 1730. He married Mary (born 13 day, 2 mo., 1730), daughter of John and Alice Bunting, about the year 1754. They were married out of meeting, but made acknowledgment

* Jeremiah and Mary Williams moved from Long Island to Hunterdon County, New Jersey, a short time previous to the arrival of their sons, and the recording of their certificates. Jeremiah Williams lived on a tract of land adjoining the plantation of John Stevenson near Quakertown. Between 1755 and 1760 he removed to Noxmixon Township, Bucks County, Penna. An obituary notice of him entered on the minutes of the Bethlehem Meeting says that he was recommended by Friends on Long Island, and for many years "was a serviceable and constant attender of our meetings for worship and discipline, until he suffered his mind to be too much cast down by some disappointments and troubles he met with." He died at the house of his son, Benjamin Williams, 15 day, 5 mo., 1766, "aged 83 years, wanting about one month, and was devoutly buried in the Friends' burying ground at Kingwood."—From the "Records of the Kingwood Monthly Meeting of Friends," by Prof. James W. Moore, published by H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J., pp. 22 and 26.

to that of Chesterfield, on 2 day, 9 mo., 1756, of their regrets at so doing and were again received into membership. They passed their lives in Burlington County. William Stevenson died 30 day, 8 mo., 1807; his wife, Mary, died 4 day, 4 mo., 1788. Their children were:

XCI. John.
XCII. Samuel.
XCIII. William.
XCIV. James.
XCV. Alice Bunting, born 11 day, 5 mo., 1758, married John Platt,* (born 8 mo., 1749) 23 day, 9 mo., 1784. Their children were: Elizabeth Platt, born 9 day, 7 mo., 1785; Martha Platt, born 27 day, 12 mo., 1787; William Platt, born 13 day, 3 mo., 1790; Mary Platt, born 21 day, 1 mo., 1793; George Platt, born 19 day, 7 mo., 1795. The family moved to Delaware.

SUSANNAH STEVENSON.

No. 41. SUSANNAH STEVENSON (John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of John and Margaret (Wood) Stevenson, was born in 1736. She married William Newbold,† their first intentions being declared in Chesterfield Meeting, 7 day, 4 mo., 1757. He was born in 1726, and died in Mansfield Township, Burlington County, in 1794.

The children of William and Susannah (Stevenson) Newbold were:

A. Barzillae Newbold, born 1759, married Euphemia Reading (born 5 mo., 1761, and died July 2, 1837) 9 day, 9 mo., 1788, died February, 1815. Had issue: Susan Newbold,

* In Upper Springfield Meeting.

† William Newbold was the son of Thomas and Edith (Coate) Newbold, and the great grandson of Michael Newbold the emigrant. The latter was born in 1623, in the Parish of Handsworth, Yorke, England, but he afterwards lived in Sheffield, from 1664 to his emigration to America. He held the Parke Lane farm as tenant of the Earl of Shaftsbury. On January 28, 1677-8, the proprietors of West Jersey sold to "Michael Newbold of Parke, County Yorke, England, husbandman" 1-8 of 3-90 of the Propriety of West Jersey (*Liber* B, page 409, Trenton), out of which he had surveyed to him 400 acres on Assiscunk Creek, now near Bordentown, N. J., on September 13, 1681 (Revel's Book, page 2, Trenton). Between these two dates Michael Newbold arrived at Burlington, N. J., with his wife Anne, and nine of his eleven children. He died in 1692-3 and his son Michael settled his estate. The latter's son Thomas Newbold, born in 1702, died in 1741, and subsequently his widow Edith married Daniel Doughty (see No. 38) her daughter's brother-in-law.—From family papers in possession of Prof. William Romaine Newbold of the University of Pennsylvania.

born 1789, married Thomas Lacey, died in 1866 ; Ann Wood Newbold, born 1790. married (1st) Stacy Bispham, (2nd) William Collins, died in 1810 ; Daniel Newbold, born 1791, married Rachael Lawrie, died in 1848 ; Franklin Newbold, born 1793, died young ; William Newbold, born 1795, died young ; Reading Newbold, born 1796, married Rebecca S. Burr, died in 1833 ; Mary E. Newbold, born 1798, married Joshua S. Burr, died in 1848 ; Anthony Taylor Newbold, born 1800, married Rebecca T. Taylor, died in 1859 ; David Sands Newbold, born 1802, married Sarah Stockton ; Barzillae Newbold, born 1801, died young.

B. Thomas Newbold, born 8 day, 2 mo., 1760, married (1st) Mary Taylor, 19 day, 2 mo., 1789, she died 21 day, 7 mo., 1811, and he married (2nd) in 1816, Ann Taylor, who died June 11, 1861. Thomas Newbold was Member of Congress from the Bucks County, Pennsylvania district, from 1807 to 1813. He died December 18, 1823, had issue by first wife : Edith Newbold, Anthony Newbold, William Newbold ; Michael Newbold, born 1794, married Esther Lowndes in 1821, and died in 1875 ; Samuel Newbold ; Thomas J. Newbold, born 1803, married Rebecca Shinn in 1832, and died in 1888 ; Ann Taylor Newbold, born 1799, married William Black and died in 1858 ; Sarah Newbold married John Adams and died in 1823 ; Susan Newbold ; Mary Newbold, born 1811, married (1st) Anthony Taylor, (2nd) Samuel Hyatt, 3rd, John Adams, 4th, William Black. Thomas Newbold by 2nd wife, Ann Taylor, had William Augustus Newbold, born 1818, married Louisa Tobes

C. Charles Newbold, born 26 day, 5 mo., 1764, married Hope Sands (born 20 day, 11 mo., 1781, died January 24, 1871), in 1804, he died 15 day, 3 mo., 1835. Had issue : William Newbold, died young ; David Newbold, died young ; Martha Clementina Newbold, born 1808, married (1st) Joseph Barnes, (2nd) George Guion Lawrie, her first cousin.

D. Edith Newbold, born 30 day, 6 mo., 1766, married 28 day, 10 mo., 1789, Joseph M. Lawrie, born 1763, died 4 day, 5 mo., 1848 ; Edith Lawrie, died 16 day, 4 mo., 1842. Had issue : Lucy Ann Lawrie, born 1800, died in 1874 ; Charles Lawrie, born 1799, married Catharine Snyder ; Beulah Lawrie, born 1792, married in 1813, Clayton, son of Clayton Newbold ; William Murfen Lawrie, born 1795, died in 1816, unmarried ; Susan Lawrie, born 1796, married Bartholomew Wistar.

E. William Newbold, born 6 day, 4 mo., 1770, married 15 day, 11 mo., 1794, Mary Smith, who died April 9, 1816. William Newbold died 11 day, 8 mo., 1841. Had issue : John Smith Newbold, born 1795. died in 1815 ; Sarah Newbold, born 1797, died in 1816 ; Susan Newbold, born 1799,

died in 1859; Abby Ann Newbold, born 1801, married Abraham L. Cox, 1825; Mary B. Newbold, born 1804, married in 1825, John Singer, died in 1859; William Henry Newbold, born 1807, married Celebina Emlen in 1830, died in 1862; Richard Smith Newbold, born 1808, married Ellen DaCosta in 1839, died in 1883; Emma Newbold, born 1811, married in 1840 Francis DeHaas, son of T. A. Janvier.

F. John Newbold, born 17 day, 3 mo., 1772, married 12 day, 11 mo., 1795, Elizabeth Lawrie, born 2 day, 1 mo., 1775, died 9 day, 3 mo., 1843, John Newbold died June 6, 1841. Had issue: Edward Newbold, born 1796, married Martha Martin, died in 1854; William Lawrie Newbold, born 1798, married (1st) Sarah Smith Allibone in 1828, (2nd) Elizabeth Tatnall Bailey in 1856, died in 1857; Henry Newbold, born 1800, died in 1849; Mary Ann Newbold, born in 1801, married (1st) in 1823, Charles Jenks, (2nd) Lardner Vanuxem, in 1831, died in 1871; John Lawrie Newbold, born 1803, married Rebecca Trotter in 1827, died in 1884; Margaret Newbold, born 1805, married in 1828, John Wistar, died in 1878; Achsah Newbold, born 1806, died young; Caroline Newbold, born 1807, married, in 1827, Robert G. Hazard, died in 1888; Susan Lawrie Newbold, born 1809; married, in 1824, William D. Cooper, died in 1872; Charles Newbold, born 1810, married, in 1843, Margaret C. Mitchell, died in 1872.

G. Susan Newbold, born 1774, married Thomas Clayton, died in 1829, no issue.

CHAPTER VII.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

No. 49. EDWARD STEVENSON (John[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Abigail (Perkins) Stevenson, was born in Newtown, in 1709. He married Gloriana (born 1716) daughter of Rev. John Thomas, Rector of Grace Church, at Hempstead, Long Island. This clergyman, in 1706, invested in lands in Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, N. J., possession of which he retained until his death in 1724, when they passed by will to his widow Margaret, who married William Willett; to his daughter Mary, wife of Samuel Treadwell, and his daughter Gloriana, wife of Edward Stevenson. The latter inherited his father's plantation at Throg's Neck, Westchester County, N. Y., and died there in 1775, leaving the property to his children, who retained it in the family until 1796, when it was sold to Abijah Hammond.* In a list of slaves enumerated in the borough of Westchester in 1755, Edward Stevenson is credited with three males, viz: Will, Tite and Luke; and one female, Ginne.

Gloriana, wife of Edward Stevenson, died in 1796. Their children were: †

XCVI. Edward, born 1734, died in 1801.

XCVII. John T., born 1737, died in 1803.

XCVIII. Benjamin, born ——, married Mary, daughter of Samuel and Margaret (Thomas‡) Treadwell. She was her husband's first cousin. Samuel Treadwell died in 1748, and his widow Margaret, married David Jones and made her will January 13, 1789, at Harrison, Westchester County, N. Y. In this instrument she mentions the following persons, viz.: son Samuel; daughter-in-law Dorothy, wife of Samuel Treadwell; grandson John Augustus Thomas; daughters Gloriana Pell, Margaret Ogden and Mary

* From papers of F. W. Jackson, of Throg's Neck, who now owns part of the land.

† Will of Edward Stevenson (1775), in which all these children are named. *Liber* 29, p. 419, New York.

‡ Daughter of Rev. John Thomas.

Stevenson; grand-daughter Nancy Stevenson; grand-son Samuel and Alexander Stevenson and son-in-law Benjamin Stevenson.

Benjamin and Mary Stevenson's son Samuel, born February 25, 1765, married (1st) —— Guion; (2nd) Elizabeth Jones, in 1797. Had issue: John, Nicholas, Maria, and Odell Stevenson. The latter was born April 9, 1804, and married Eliza Jones, October 16, 1833, whose only child to leave issue was Jane B. Stevenson, born May 1, 1840, who married J. J. McGown. Their son, Samuel Stevenson McGown, changed his name by an Act of the Legislature to Samuel Stevenson, and married, September 21, 1887, Eloise M. Stevenson.*

XCIX. Frederick Philipse, born in 1752, married his second cousin, Annah, born February 5, 1750, daughter of Cornelius and Elizabeth Willett, of Flushing, and grand-daughter of Major William Willett, of Westchester County, New York. Cornelius Willett, who made his will in 1781, left a bequest to his grandson, Edward Stevenson. Frederick Philipse Stevenson purchased land in Harrison, Westchester County, N. Y., in 1755. He was appointed ensign in 1775.

C. William.

CI. Margaret.

CII. Gloriana.

CIII. Mary.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 51. JOHN STEVENSON (John[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Abigail Stevenson, of Westchester, New York, was born about 1712. His wife was named Anna. In 1743 he was living in Flushing, Long Island, but a few years afterwards he was a resident of Westchester County, New York, as appears by the following deed,† dated July 11, 1758, viz: "John Burrows, merchant, and William Hendrickson, Esq., both of Middletown, Monmouth County, N. J.," executors of the estate of William Watson, to "John Stevenson, of *Marrianac*, West Chester, Province of New York, Gent.," for 210 acres and some meadow land (consideration £1000) in Middletown, New Jersey. The assessment roll of this latter place for 1758 and 1759, contains the names of John Stevenson

* From family papers in possession of Mrs. Eloise M. Stevenson of Bronxville, Greater New York.

† *Liber* G. 3, p. 170.

and his brother James; the latter assessed for twenty horses and cattle; the former for ten. Besides these the roll contained the names of Edward, David and a second John. John Stevenson was living in 1761, as he, jointly with his brother James, executed a deed * of release in that year, but was deceased before 1783.

John and Anna Stevenson's children were: †

CIV. Benjamin, married Elizabeth Field. He is mentioned in his uncle James Stevenson's will.

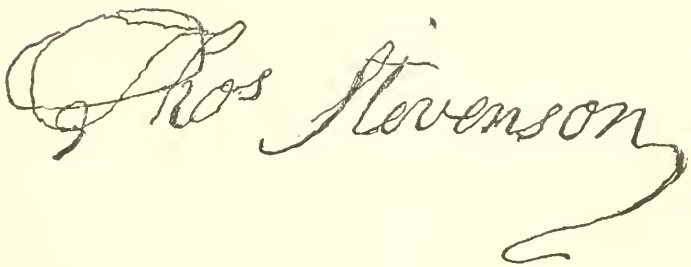
CV. Shore, married Margaret, daughter of James Mott. Had issue: Hannah M. Stevenson, born July 5, 1774, married Richard Salter Hartshorne, September 20, 1798; John Stevenson, no issue; Shore Stevenson, no issue; Anna M. Stevenson, second wife to Richard Salter Hartshorne.

CVI. Edward, buried January 6, 1773.

CVII. Rebecca.

CVIII. Abigail.

CVIX. Samuel M., married Anna, daughter of Thomas Willitts. He is mentioned in his uncle James Stevenson's will.



No 56. THOMAS STEVENSON (Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Elnathan and Sarah (Cornell) Stevenson, was born ‡ June 14, 1719. He was married in Burlington Friends' Meeting, 1 mo. (March), 20 day, 1740, to Alice, daughter of Samuel and Sarah Scholey (Schooley) Shinn, born 20 day, 1 mo., 1721.

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* *Liber* G 3, p. 80.

† From MSS. history of the Taylor family, by Asher Taylor, deceased, a native of Middletown, New Jersey, and long time a resident of Jersey City.—"The Jerseyman," Vol. 8.

‡ The date of the birth of Thomas Stevenson, together with those of his brothers and sisters, were taken from the family Bible of Elnathan Stevenson, in possession of the Stewart family.

Alice Shinn was a great-granddaughter of John Shinn, who, Smith, in his history of New Jersey, mentions as having arrived in Burlington between 1678 and 1680. On September 8th, of this latter year, he located a tract of land on Birch Creek, Burlington County, out of 1-15 of a share of propriety, which he had bought of William Emley. His will is dated Springfield Township, January 14, 1711.* He had several daughters and three sons, John, James and Thomas. The latter married 1 mo., 1693, Mary, daughter of Richard and Abigail Stockton, who had removed the year preivous from Flushing, Long Island, to Oneanockon, Springfield Township, Burlington County, N. J. Thomas Shinn died in 1694, leaving one son, Thomas, and a posthumous son named Samuel Shinn, born 15 day, 2 mo., 1695. The relationship is clearly set out in a deed of trust executed December 28, 1697. † It recites, "Mary Shinn, of Burlington County, widow of Thomas Shinn, deceased, late of said county, to Richard Stockton, Jr., brother of said Mary, and John Shinn, Jr., of said county, brother-in-law of said Mary," about "to be married to Silas Crispin ‡ of Pennsylvania," conveys by deed of trust, land and "a negro boy, Tabby, for the use of Thomas and Samuel Shinn, sons of said Mary," given her "by her late husband, Thomas Shinn, deceased, by will dated November, 1694." Samuel Shinn, the posthumous son of Thomas, married Sarah Schooley, 4 mo., 1718.

Thomas Stevenson was presented by his father with 250 acres of land out of his Amwell tract in Hunterdon County, where he settled, and lived but a few short years, dying in 1748. His brother-in-law, William Pettit, was made administrator of his estate on September 22nd of that year.

Thomas and Alice (Shinn) Stevenson's children were:

CX. Samuel Stevenson.

CXI. Thomas Stevenson, who married, February 9, 1772, in Christ's P. E. Church, Shrewsbury, Isabella Hunt, and had issue: Samuel Stevenson, died unmarried; Euphemia Stevenson, married Isaiah Hazleton; Ashfield Stevenson, died unmarried in 1795; Isaac Stevenson, married Sarah

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* *Liber* I, p. 337.

† *Liber* B, p. 612.

‡ Silas Crispin was son of Rear Admiral Crispin of the British Navy, and first cousin of William Penn.

Collins, September 16, 1804, and Elizabeth Stevenson, who died unmarried.

CXII. William Stevenson, married Rachel Griffith, the license being dated and recorded at Mt. Holly, November 5, 1770, the same day their second intention was declared in Burlington Friends' Meeting. William Stevenson dying, his widow, Rachel, married 3 day, 1 mo., 1791, Lewis Rossell. William and Rachel Stevenson had issue: Micajah Stevenson, married Elizabeth ——, February 6, 1800, died July 22, 1842; Ezra B. Stevenson, died unmarried; Jonathan Stevenson, married Jane Cox; Cornell Stevenson, married Patience Marter, October 4, 1804; John Stevenson, died unmarried; Ann Stevenson, born 1775, married William Elberson, January 9, 1803, died March 9, 1829; Thomas Stevenson, born November 16, 1773, married in 1791 Elizabeth Kemble, and died March 19, 1811; Samuel Stevenson, married Ellen Mahany.

CXIII. Elnathan Stevenson, born ——, married Bathsheba, daughter of William and Tamer Norcross. Their marriage license is dated October 24, 1767, and they were married next day at Mt. Holly by Rev. J. Odell, missionary from St. Mary's Church, Burlington. They had issue: Tamar Stevenson, born March 13, 1768, married (1st) August, 1795, Stacy Lippincott. (2d) February 7, 1802, Samuel Quicksall, died June 2, 1861; Alice Stevenson, born October 23, 1770, married Seth Lucas Gibbs, October 20, 1788; William Stevenson, born January 19, 1774, married Priscilla, daughter of Isaac Lippincott, April 26, 1798; Caleb Stevenson, born November 23, 1776, married January 8, 1804, Mary Stockton; Ezra Stevenson, died unmarried.

CXIV. Sarah Stevenson, born ——, married Elton Kemble September 14, 1761, and had issue: Thomas Kemble, married Clemence Clement; Hannah Kemble, married John Foster; Elizabeth Kemble, born October 22, 1774, married in 1791 Thomas Stevenson, son of William and Rachel; Elton Kemble, died unmarried.

CORNELL STEVENSON.

No. 57. Cornell Stevenson (Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Elnathan and Sarah (Cornell) Stevenson, was born 10 day, 12 mo., 1724–5. He "passed meeting" at Chesterfield, the first time on 2d day, 9 mo., 1749, to marry Mary Hedger, and was married 13 day, 10 mo., of the same

year. She was the daughter of Eliakim and Susannah Hedger, and was born in Flushing, Long Island, 13 day, 1 mo., 1725. Cornell Stevenson's father, Elnathan, had bequeathed him (1748) 250 acres of land out of his Amwell tract, upon which stood a house built by Philip Philips, who appears to have been at one time a tenant upon it. Here Cornell lived about ten years. On December 8, 1762, he bought part of his brother Elnathan's land in township of Burlington. This was part of the 480 acres bought by William Stevenson of his father-in-law, Governor Jenings, sold by him to his cousin, John Stevenson, and by the latter transferred to his brother, Elnathan, and bequeathed by the last named to his son, Elnathan, Jr. To this tract, with additional purchased land, Cornell Stevenson removed, his wife, Mary, taking her certificate from Chesterfield to Burlington Friends' Meeting 1 day, 9 mo., 1763. Cornell Stevenson died 6 day, 1 mo., 1788, and his wife, Mary, 6 day, 1 mo., 1786.

Their children were :

CXV. Susannah, born 28 day, 7 mo., 1750, married Henry Page.

CXVI. Isaac Stevenson, born 10 day, 4 mo., 1752 ; died 7 day, 9 mo., 1758.

CXVII. Sarah Stevenson, born 13 day, 2 mo., 1754, married 5 day, 5 mo., 1776, Stephen, son of Stephen and Mercy Comfort, of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, died April 18, 1837, and had issue : David Comfort, born April 27, 1777, married Beulah Walton ; Samuel Comfort, born December 6, 1778, married 21 day, 2 mo., 1800, Elizabeth James ; Jeremiah Comfort, born July 4, 1780, married October 10, 1807, Sarah Cooper ; Stephen Comfort, born March 7, 1782, married April 4, 1807, Lydia Jones.

CXVIII. Mary Stevenson, born 26 day, 12 mo., 1755, married Samuel Haines October 16, 1788, and had issue : Lydia Haines, born July 31, 1789, died unmarried ; Robert Willitts Haines, born January 2, 1790, married May ——, 1817, Edith Rogers ; Ezra Haines, born September 26, 1795, married Lucy Bishop, November 13, 1827 ; Hannah Haines, born May 11, 1798, married Joseph Ridgway Bishop, October 7, 1824.

CXIX. Elnathan Stevenson, born 18 day, 9 mo., 1757 ; died 28 day, 8 mo., 1758.

CXX. Deborah Stevenson, born 17 day, 12 mo., 1759, married Edward Darnell, March 15, 1787, and had issue : Edward Darnell, married Sarah F. Richards, September 20, 1819.

CXXI. Elizabeth Stevenson, born 26 day, 12 mo., 1761, married Joseph, son of Samuel and Mary Satterthwaite, March 12, 1789, and had issue: Samuel Satterthwaite, born July 2, 1790, married Hannah, daughter of Caleb and Sarah Atkinson, December 10, 1818; Joseph Satterthwaite, born May 7, 1792, married Elizabeth Fisher; Daniel Satterthwaite, born September 4, 1779, married Ann Satterthwaite; Mary Satterthwaite, born October 26, 1796, died unmarried; Elizabeth Satterthwaite, born March 5, 1799, died unmarried; Reuben Satterthwaite, born March 17, 1801, married Rachel Atkinson; Deborah Satterthwaite, born December 7, 1803, married Joseph, son of Joshua and Ann Satterthwaite, April 13, 1825.

CXXII. Cornell Stevenson, born 2 day, 5 mo., 1765, married Ann, daughter of Joseph and Mary Haines, 13 day, 5 mo., 1790, and died 9 day, 3 mo., 1818. Had issue: Elizabeth H. Stevenson, born April 14, 1791, married Thomas Stewart; Joseph Stevenson, born November 6, 1792, married Anna Satterthwaite, daughter of Joshua, 4 day, 11 mo., 1819, and died April 22, 1871; Joshua Stevenson, born 9 day, 12 mo., 1794, married Hannah Evans; Stacy Stevenson, born 24 day, 6 mo., 1797, died unmarried; Cornell Stevenson, born 24 day, 10 mo., 1799, died unmarried December, 28, 1831; David Stevenson, born 22 day, 1 mo., 1802, died unmarried January 17, 1841; Marmaduke Stevenson, born 2 day, 1 mo., 1805, died October 10, 1812; Mary Stevenson, born 15 day, 8 mo., 1807, died unmarried December 1, 1878.

ELNATHAN STEVENSON.

No. 58. ELNATHAN STEVENSON (Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Elnathan and Sarah (Cornell) Stevenson, was born January 24, 1729. His license to marry Mary Riley is dated October 21, 1756. By the will of his father he was left the homestead plantation, near Burlington. As has been previously stated, this was part of the original Governor Jening's plantation. In 1762 Elnathan Stevenson disposes of a portion of it to his brother Cornell. He died April 5, 1783.

His children were:

CXXIII. Charity Stevenson, born June 6, 1758, married John Kemble, September 24, 1778, and had issue: Charles Kemble, born May 6, 1779, died June 7, 1779; Mary Kemble, born July 17, 1781, died April 6, 1783; Ann Kemble, born De-

cember 10, 1783, married Thomas Spencer; George Kemble, born July 27, 1786; Daniel Kemble, born February 6, 1789; Elizabeth Kemble, November 3, 1792, died April 3, 1796; Harriet Kemble, born September 7, 1793, married Theodore Megargee; Susannah Kemble, born March 30, 1796, married William Bunting; Nathan Kemble, born June 17, 1798, married Mary ——.

CXXIV. Sarah Stevenson, born May 13, 1762, married Thomas Wimer and had issue: Mary, Daniel, Hannah, Sarah and Thomas Wimer.

CXXV. Daniel Stevenson, born September 12, 1764, married Mary Kerlin October 8, 1783, and had issue: Ann Stevenson, born February 1, 1790, died April 10, 1790; John G. Stevenson, born May 26, 1791, married (1st) Catharine Ware, September 21, 1815, (2d) Elizabeth Hammett, August 7, 1819; Daniel Stevenson, born December 5, 1793, married Mary Osborn, and died January 8, 1859.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

No. 59. EDWARD STEVENSON (Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Elnathan and Sarah (Cornell) Stevenson, was born April 3, 1739. He married Mary, daughter of Nicholas Stilwell. His father, Elnathan Stevenson, bequeathed him 250 acres of his Amwell tract adjoining his brother Cornell's. To this property he removed on his marriage, about 1760. His will is dated October 5, 1765, and is witnessed by Augustine and John Stevenson and Ann Riche.

His children were:

CXXVI. Elnathan Stevenson.

CXXVII. John Stevenson.

CXXVIII. Charles Stevenson.

BENJAMIN STEVENSON.

No. 60. BENJAMIN STEVENSON (Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Elnathan and Sarah (Cornell) Stevenson, was born July 31, 1741. He married Sarah, daughter of John and Elizabeth Fenimore, the license being dated May 4, 1763.

By the will of his father he was left part of the homestead plantation near Burlington. Letters of Administration were granted on his estate August, 1818.

His children were :

CXXIX. Elizabeth Stevenson, born December 2, 1765, married John Wilkinson Fenimore, September 12, 1801, and had issue : Thomas Jefferson Fenimore, born 1802 ; George Washington Fenimore, born December 12, 1805, married (1st) February 29, 1828, Elizabeth Scott, and (2d) Mary Reeves, December 25, 1816.

CXXX. Hannah Stevenson, born September 13, 1770, married Marten Estelow, October 27, 1827, and had issue: Eliza, Benjamin, Charles, John, Christian, Maria, George, Samuel and Ann Estelow.

CXXXI. Charles Stevenson.

CXXXII. Priscilla Stevenson, married George Zelley.

CXXXIII. Sarah Stevenson, married Samuel White.

ROBERT STEVENSON.

No. 65. ROBERT STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, was born October 17, 1722, in Newtown, Long Island. He married September 15, 1770, Hannah Hicks, who was born June 15, 1733. As has been previously mentioned, his father, William Stevenson, removed to the Amwell lands, but appears to have returned for a time to the Province of New York (See No. 17), locating at Yonkers until 1753, when he finally settled at Amwell. Robert Stevenson went to the West Indies with his brother Cornelius, where they were engaged in the sugar trade. Here he made a handsome fortune. After his return he settled in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, but shortly afterwards removed to Philadelphia. Elizabeth Drinker, wife of Henry Drinker, a merchant of the latter city, kept a diary, and records in it some interesting reminiscences about the family. Under date of June 29, 1771, she writes in the house of the Widow Merriott, Bristol, Pennsylvania : "Took a walk this morning to see F'd Ringgold ; saw Robert and Hannah Stevenson at Bessonett's; they came home with me and insisted on my going to dine with them at the tavern, which I reluctantly

complied with, being very unwell. After dinner I came home with them in the carriage, and they proceeded on their way toward Amwell."

August 22, 1771 (At home in Philadelphia): "Fifth day. Left home after dinner, stopped at Robin Hood's; waited there half an hour for Robert and Hannah Stevenson." The party visited Lancaster, Reading, Allentown and Bethlehem, leaving the latter place on September 4th, where they appear to have separated, Elizabeth Drinker returning to Philadelphia.

There is no farther record of them in this diary until the close of the war. Under date of August 25, 1780, there is noted: "Found Robert and Hannah Stevenson at our house on our return." November 15, 1782: "I went this afternoon to Hannah Stevenson's; H. S. out." The death of her friend is thus given: "September 11, 1783. S. Moore sent us word that if we wished to see our friend H. Stevenson alive we must lose no time. Ye situation of our family had prevented going. H. D. took sister in ye chaise. She found Hannah very low."

"Our dear friend and old acquaintance, Hannah Stevenson, departed this life September ye 19th, 1783, in ye 51st year of her age."

Robert Stevenson remained in Hunterdon County during the Revolutionary struggle, as appears by a deed dated May 17, 1779, which recites that he was a merchant residing at Hopewell. His death is thus recorded in the diary under date of April 19, 1796: "Our valued friend and acquaintance, Robert Stevenson, Sr., departed this life this morning about 8 o'clock, aged 74. His disorder apoplectic."

His children were:

CXXXIV. Robert Stevenson. From the diary: "December 20, 1794. Robert Stevenson, Jr., called after dinner, ye first time of seeing him since his return. He has been about three months in McPherson's company of volunteers, called by some the Quaker company, as several under our names were with them. He gave me an account of some particulars of their expedition. Robert is not yet 19 years old." He died unmarried.

CXXXV. Jane Stevenson, born August 5, 1772, married Jacob Clarkson, November 28, 1795.

CXXXVI. Hannah Stevenson, born June 14, 1774. From the diary: "November 13, 1794. On Seventh day evening last, (Nov-

ember 8), Clifford Smith was married to Hannah Stevenson, daughter of Robert Stevenson. Her mother, Hannah Stevenson, formerly Hicks, was an intimate and dear friend of my sister and self."

"March 11, 1799. We are informed of the death of Owen Biddle and Clifford Smith. H. Smith, formerly Stevenson, is left with three children. She is a young widow." Hannah Smith married second, Owen Jones.

CXXXVII. Susanna Stevenson, born ——. From the diary: "October 16, 1804. From Poulson's paper of this evening: 'Married on Saturday evening last by the Rev. John Hey, Doct'r Elijah Perkins to Miss Susan Stephenson, daughter of Robert Stephenson, Esq., deceased.' Her parents were our valued friends."

"June 22, 1816. A note of invitation came this forenoon to the funeral of Doctor Elijah Perkins, who married Susan Stevenson. His death was very sudden; he was abroad with his wife last night, and was taken into some house, where he died about 10 o'clock."

EDWARD STEVENSON.

No. 66. Edward Stevenson (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, married by Friends' ceremony in New York, on April 26, 1756, Rebecca Griffin. He resided in Middlesex County, where he made his will, which was probated March 8, 1774, in which document he mentions his wife and four children. His executors were: wife Rebecca, James Stevenson, of Middletown, and brother Augustine Stevenson. The witnesses were George Rapelye, Oliver Hicks and Richard Reading. Edward Stevenson was buried January 6, 1773.* His widow, Rebecca Stevenson's will † is dated at Middletown, July 4, 1799, and was probated April 28, 1801.

Edward and Rebecca Stevenson's children were:

CXXXVIII. William.
CXXXIX. Thomas, buried May 13, 1774.*
CXL. Cornelius, married Rebecca ——.
CXLI. Rebecca, married William Mount. Had issue: Cornelius, Rebecca, Margaret and Elizabeth Mount.

* Christ Church Records, Shrewsbury.
† *Liber* 39, p. 259.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 67. JOHN STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, was born March 28, 1728. He is named in the will of his father William Stevenson, who, as has been previously mentioned, resided during his son's youth at Yonkers, New York. In his marriage license* which is recorded in Trenton, New Jersey, his residence is given in New York. It was to marry Elizabeth Throckmorton, and bore date June 15, 1754. James Stevenson, his cousin, of Middletown, New Jersey, was a bondsman. The marriage took place at Christ's P. E. Church, Shrewsbury, New Jersey, June 17, 1754.

Elizabeth Throckmorton was descended from John Throckmorton, the emigrant, who arrived at Nantasket, Massachusetts, in the ship "Lion," on February 1, 1631. He was in Salem in 1639, and went from thence to Rhode Island. From there he led a colony of thirty-five families to Westchester County, New York. On July 6, 1643, he obtained from the Dutch Director-General Kieft, a patent for a grant of land, then called Vreedland. On October 6, of the same year, the colony was surprised by the Indians, many of them massacred and the rest driven off. John Throckmorton, on April 20, 1652, petitions the Director-General "to transport Throckmorton's Neck, Westchester County," which soon afterwards he conveyed to Augustus Hermans.

The land from Sandy Hook to the Raritan River in what is now Monmouth County, New Jersey, was taken up by what is known as the Monmouth Patent, dated April 8, 1664, given by Governor Nicholls to Samuel Spicer, his brother-in-law, John Tilton, both of Gravesend, Long Island, and nine other associates, whose purpose was to dispose of it to actual

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* An Act of the Assembly of New Jersey was passed March 29, 1719, which required that before the marriage of any one under the age of 21 years, a license should be obtained. There were two methods prescribed. By the first one, the applicant must file with the Secretary of the Colony the certified consent of parent or guardian, and subscribe to an oath or affirmation of its truth. To this must be attached a bond of security for £500, signed by two real estate owners. The other mode was for the contracting parties, if under 21 years, to repair to the County Clerk's office and make oath or affirmation, and give security the same as in the first instance, whereupon the Clerk, within 14 days, must post a notice of such marriage in three public places in the county, and if within 21 days no objections were filed by the parent or guardian a license could be granted. This law continued in force until after the Revolution.

settlers. The right of Nicholls to make this grant was disputed, and was not finally confirmed until 1672. Out of this land a patent * was granted in 1675 to "John Throckmorton and wife" for 240 acres, in right of his father "John Trogmorton." At the same time 120 acres were granted to Job Throckmorton, who was his brother. On June 25, 1688, there was confirmed † to "Job Throckmorton, of Middletown," 1-10 of 1-48 share of a Propriety of East Jersey held by purchase from John Throckmorton. Job Throckmorton was a member of the East Jersey Assembly that met at Perth Amboy in 1694. Letters of Administration were granted on his estate to his widow Sarah, on June 8, 1711. His son Job, styled senior in the record, and his wife Frances had three children, Job, Lewis and Rebecca Throckmorton, baptized on February 9, 1746, at Colt's Neck, by Rev. Thomas Thompson, missionary in charge of Shrewsbury P. E. Church. At the same time Elizabeth, daughter of Job and Hannah Throckmorton, was also baptized. Both Job Throckmortons, father and son, were deceased in 1748.‡

John Stevenson removed to Amwell, New Jersey, sometime after his marriage, as his will § is dated in that township February 21, 1764, and was probated March 30, 1775. His death took place February 20, in the latter year. His widow Elizabeth survived him. On November 15, 1780, she makes a deed || to her brothers-in-law, "Robert Stevenson, late of Amwell, and Cornelius Stevenson, of the Island of St. Eustatius, West Indies," for a tract of land which the deed says was "part of the plantation of the late William Stevenson." Elizabeth Stevenson's will is dated in Trenton, New Jersey, June 13, 1813, and was probated January 15, 1817. In it she names her four surviving children: William, James and Crooke Stevenson, and daughter Hannah Muirhead.

John and Elizabeth Stevenson's children were:

CXLII. Hannah Stevenson, born January 26, 1755, baptized at Shrewsbury, January 31, 1755; buried February 23, 1755.

CXLIII. Robert Stevenson, born February 9, 1756. Letters of Admin-

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* *Liber* 3, East Jersey, p. 2.

† *Liber* 6, East Jersey, p. 111.

‡ From the genealogical collections of James Steen, Esq., Eatontown, New Jersey.

§ *Liber* 16, p. 438.

|| *Liber* AL, p. 313.

istration were granted on his estate to his brother John Stevenson, in December, 1791.

CXLIV. William Stevenson, born October 19, 1757, was baptized at Shrewsbury, October 23, 1760. He married Rowland Newton; no issue. Both are buried in St. Stephen's P. E. Church, Philadelphia, where a stone in the nave bears the following inscription:

"Sacred to the memory of William Stevenson,
who died Dec'r 11, 1832, aged 75.
and his wife
Rowland Stevenson, who died March 27, 1834,
aged 79."

CXLV. John Stevenson,* born February 12, 1760, resided at Amwell. He was married to Catharine Corshon, June 13, 1782, by Rev. William Frazer, a clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Their marriage license was dated two days previously. John Stevenson was a member of the Episcopal Church. He was a delegate from St. Andrew's Church, Amwell, to the Diocesan Conventions which met at Burlington, in 1786; at Shrewsbury, in 1788 and 1790, and at Elizabethtown, in 1807. His will is dated February 2, 1811, and was probated May 7th, of the same year. It is interesting to note that in this will he orders his "*negroes to be sold*," except "my black girl named Isabel." This shows that slavery was still firmly established in New Jersey in the early part of the nineteenth century. His brother, James Stevenson, of Hopewell, and Jacob Fisher, Jr., of Amwell, were his executors. John Stevenson left one child, Margaret Stevenson, who married Samuel Wyckoff,† whose children were Elizabeth Ann Wyckoff, John Stevenson Wyckoff and Ursula Wyckoff.

CXLVI. Hannah Stevenson, born December 3, 1761, died young.

CXLVII. James Stevenson, born October 16 1763, married February 17, 1795, Susan Hunt; died December 30, 1839, and had issue: John Hunt Stevenson, born February 20, 1796, died August 18, 1829, and Elizabeth Stevenson.

CXLVIII. Crooke Stevenson.

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* John Stevenson, George Muirhead, aged 17, and Uriel Titus, went to Elizabeth, during the Revolutionary War, on service alone. Colonel Seely in command, refused them pay and rations, but finally attached them to Captain Updike's company, they served out their month and were honorably discharged.—Mercer County History.

† Samuel Wyckoff was descended from Peter Claes Wyckoff, who emigrated from Holland, in 1636, to Flatbush, Long Island, of which town he became magistrate in 1655, 1658, 1662 and 1663. His son Cornelius Pieterse Wyckoff was one of a Dutch company that purchased a tract of land in Somerset County, New Jersey, in 1701. Several of his descendents removed into Hunterdon, the adjoining county, and were prominent officials there. Simon Wyckoff represented the latter in the New Jersey Assembly for twelve years between 1793 and 1805.

AUGUSTINE STEVENSON.

No. 70. AUGUSTINE STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, was born April 22, 1744. He married Caroline Willett (born May 5, 1750,) on November 14, 1770.

Augustine Stevenson lived at Amwell, Hunterdon County, N. J. He was a member from that county of the Provincial Congress of New Jersey, that met at Trenton, in October, 1775. At a session held on the 28th day of this month he was one of thirteen members appointed on the "Committee of Safety to act for the public welfare of this colony (New Jersey) in the recess of this Congress." He was again returned a member of the Congress in 1776, which met at New Brunswick, and was continued on the Committee of Safety. He died January 3, 1794, and Letters of Administration were granted to his widow, February 24th of the same year. She died May 1, 1813.

Caroline Willett was the daughter of Samuel Willett, of Black Stump, Long Island. He was born February 17, 1724, and married Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Lawrence. Caroline Willett's grandfather was John Willett, son of Col. Thomas Willett, of Flushing (see No. 18), who married Mary, daughter of Dr. John Rodman.

Caroline (Willett) Stevenson's will* is dated at Amwell, Hunterdon County, N. J., October 10, 1810, and was proved November 3, 1813. In this instrument she mentions her daughters Elizabeth and Susan Runyan, grandson Augustine Runyan, granddaughter Caroline Runyan and "granddaughter Caroline, daughter of son Robert Stevenson." She also leaves bequests to sons Augustine and William Stevenson, and to her son "Willett Stevenson's children," but does not name them. Her executors were "son-in-law Daniel Cox Runyan, son Augustine Stevenson," and "George Muirhead."

Augustine and Caroline Stevenson's children were:

CXLIX. Elizabeth Stevenson, born November 3, 1771, married Daniel Cox Runyan, March 4, 1795.

CL. Robert Stevenson, born October 18, 1773.

* Vol. II, p. 20, Hunterdon County.

CLI. Cornelius Stevenson, born February 8, 1776, died in 1793.
CLII. William Stevenson, born April 28, 1779, died in 1793.
CLIII. Samuel Willett Stevenson, born August 26, 1780.
CLIV. Augustine Stevenson, born December 16, 1786.
CLV. Susannah (Susan) Stevenson, born June 20, 1790, married Samuel H. Runyan, March 4, 1807, and had one daughter, Mrs. Letitia C. Harrison.*
CLVI. Cornelius Stevenson,† born September 23, 1793. } Twins.
CLVII. William Stevenson, born September 23, 1793 }

CORNELIUS STEVENSON.

No. 71. CORNELIUS STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, was born April 4, 1738. With his brother Robert, he went to the West Indies, and engaged in the sugar trade, where he amassed a fortune. His brother, Robert Stevenson, seems to have returned to the colonies by 1770, but according to deeds recorded in Trenton, New Jersey, Cornelius was a resident in 1780 of the Island of St. Eustatius. By 1790 he had returned to New York, as on April 20th of that year he executes, to his brother Robert, a power of attorney to transact business for him in Hunterdon County, New Jersey.

Cornelius Stevenson married, on November 29, 1764, probably in the West Indies, Susannah Pickman, born June 18, 1741, who was a young widow with one child. Upon his return to the colonies he settled in New York, and lived at the corner of Broad and Mill streets. He had no issue, but seems to have adopted his step-daughter, who took his name and inherited his estate.

His widow, Susannah Stevenson, made her will in 1804, and died January 10, 1805. In it she names her daughter, Elizabeth Gouverneur, widow of Isaac; granddaughter, Susan, wife of Samuel Murgatroyd; great granddaughter Susan Rich Murgatroyd, and great grandson Thomas Stevenson Murgatroyd, children of Samuel and Susan Murgatroyd; also her "friends" Mrs. Ann Stevenson, Mrs. Rowland Newton, Mrs. Hannah Muirhead and niece Mrs. Mary Crockatt.

* The dates of birth, etc, of Augustine Stevenson's children were copied from the Bible of Mrs. Letitia C. Harrison.

† Letters of guardianship were granted on February 6, 1811, to Samuel Runyan, of Hunterdon County, for Cornelius and William Stevenson, minors. Vol. I, p. 163.

DEBORAH STEVENSON.

No. 73. DEBORAH STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, was born August 21, 1727, she married Capt. William Pugsley (born September 28, 1724,) at Pelham's Manor, New York.

Captain Pugsley was grandson of Matthew Pugsley, whose name appears on the Assessment Roll of the town of Westchester, New York, in 1696. The latter's son, John Pugsley, who died before his own son, Captain William, made his will December 20, 1768, and in it says of another son, "Gilbert is buried beside his brother William in the old Church Yard" (Sleepy Hollow).

Capt. William Pugsley was Assessor of Phillipsburg, from 1756 to 1759. He was baptized on his death-bed five days before his decease, April 21, 1766. His widow Deborah, died September 9, 1770.

Captain William and Deborah Pugsley's children were:

William Pugsley, married Elizabeth Barnes, December 2, 1770; will dated August 18, 1813, and probated December 5, 1816.

Elizabeth Pugsley, born February 4, 1749; married Capt. Jonas Orser, June 19, 1768, and died January 2, 1826.

Sarah Pugsley,* born November 24, 1752; married (1st) Wolfert Ecker, of "Wolferts Roost,"† in 1772; (2d) George Merritt, and died October 26, 1821.

Hannah Pugsley, died unmarried.

Tolman Pugsley, who was a soldier in the Revolution, married, January 15, 1776, Sarah, daughter of John and Sarah Oakley.

CHARITY STEVENSON.

No. 74. CHARITY STEVENSON (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of William and Hannah (Hicks) Steven-

* From the family papers of her great, great granddaughter Miss Flora Ecker Mead, Kansas City, Missouri.

† Now Sunnyside, of Washington Irving fame.

son, was born 1730–31, and married Anthony Bartow,* born January 8, 1717, son of Rev. John and Helena (Reid) Bartow, of Westchester County, New York, in 1746.

Anthony Bartow was a farmer, and served for a time as Alderman of Westchester. His will is dated February 25, 1789, and he died in December of the following year, 1790. Charity Bartow died July 13, 1791. Their children were:

A. Hannah Bartow, born November 22, 1748, married April 10, 1768, Thomas Tucker, son of James and Maria (Wortendike) Tucker, of England. She died at Bethel, Connecticut, February 16, 1780. Had issue: James Tucker, born August 4, 1769, died September 19, 1769; Thomas Tucker; Mary Tucker, born August 3, 1772, married Elisha Whittlesey, lawyer; Charity Tucker, born March 3, 1776, married Col. Ephriam Moss White, of Danbury, Connecticut; Anthony Bartow Tucker, born January 23, 1780, died August 25, 1848, unmarried.

B. Thomas Bartow, born December, 1750, married December, 1773, Mary, daughter of Capt. Thomas and Hannah (Tiebout) Vardell. Had issue: Anne Bartow, married —— Kershaw, and settled in New Orleans; Charity Bartow, died unmarried at Williamsburg, New York; Maria Bartow, born 1780, died unmarried in Jersey City, October 11, 1860; Thomas Bartow, born 1782, married Mary Smith, in 1801, and died in 1827, in New York; Anthony Vardell Bartow; Phœbe Bartow, married James Kissam; Hannah Bartow, born April 9, 1788, married Joseph Kissam, April 19, 1810, died January 29, 1867, in Jersey City; Lucy Bartow, born 1790,

*Anthony Bartow was descended from General Bertaut, of Bretagne, France, several generations of whose descendants were settled in Devonshire, England. The best known was Peter Bartow, Yeoman, of Ottery, St. Mary, who about 1580 removed to Awlescombe and married Alice, daughter of John Borrough. The only son, Peter Bartow, was born at the latter place in 1609. He fought on the Royalist side in the Parliamentary Wars for many years. He was the highest tax payer in that part of Devonshire, owning farms and tenements in Devon and Somerset. He was heavily fined during the Cromwellian ascendancy, but was pardoned by the joint action of the Lords and Commons. He paid the fines and submitted to the Earl of Essex, who appointed him a quartermaster in the regiment of Colonel Blewett, not being able to bear arms from wounds received in the royal service. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Butson, of Kentisbeare, Devon. Thomas Bartow, his son, was a physician and practiced by license at Awlescombe, Crediton and Colebrooke. By his second wife Grace, daughter of Anthony Snell, of Lapford, he had a son, John Bartow, who was born at Crediton in 1673, graduated at Christ's College, Cambridge; entered the Church and was made Vicar of Pampisford. After a few years Rev. John Bartow was sent by the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts" to America, and became Rector of St. Peter's Church, Westchester, New York. He married Helena, daughter of John Reid, of Scotland, afterwards of Freehold, New Jersey.—From the family papers of Rev. Evelyn Pierrepont Bartow, of Utica, New York.

died in 1806; Jane Bartow, born 1794, died unmarried, November 12, 1803.

C. Helena Bartow, born 1751, married Thomas Haviland, and lived in Westchester, New York.

D. Mary Bartow, born August 26, 1753, married February 14, 1782, John Reid, of Dalmellington, Ayrshire, Scotland, afterwards of Eastchester, New York, where his wife died July 22, 1841.

E. Susannah Bartow, born April 12, 1755, married John Gillespie, in December, 1781, and died February 20, 1794.

F. Phœbe Bartow, born 1757, married Dr. John Groesbeck Wright, U. S. A.

G. William Bartow, born 1759, lived at Westchester, New York, married Anna, daughter of Thomas and Abigail (Stevenson) Willett. Had issue: Cornelius Stevenson Bartow, born September 29, 1785, married his cousin Hannah Wright, October 3, 1815, and died October 5, 1833; Isaac Willett Bartow; Samuel Gibbs Bartow, died young; Euphemia Bartow, died unmarried, in Brooklyn, New York; William John Bartow, of Brooklyn, New York; Thomas Bartow, died young.

H. Anthony Bartow, born 1761, married Maria Berdan, lived in New York.

I. Clarina Bartow, born 1763, married in 1786, her cousin, Capt. Augustus Bartow,* and died June 30, 1839. Had issue: Stephen Bartow, born 1788, died young; Jane Bartow, born October 12, 1789, married Ralph Duncan; Robert Bartow, born January 12, 1792, married Maria R. Lorillard, and lived at Pelham, New York; William Augustus Bartow, born January 8, 1794, married Jane Hasbrouck, and lived at East Fishkill, New York; Juliana Bartow, died young; George Anthony Bartow, born November 25, 1798, died unmarried; Susanna Clarina Bartow, born March 20, 1800, died unmarried; Mary Ann Bartow, born May 17, 1803, died unmarried; Edgar John Bartow, born April 29, 1809, married (1st) Harriette C. Pierrepont, and had children: Harriette Emma Bartow, who married Dr. Lawrence Sheldon, U. S. A.; Pierrepont Bartow, who married Emma C. Smith; Rev. Evelyn P. Bartow, who married Mary Hurst, daughter of Com. William Decatur Hurst, U. S. N., an officer of the Mexican War; and Julia Bartow, who died young. Edgar John Bartow, married (2d) Caroline Gamble, and had children: Edgar Augustus Bartow, who died

* Capt. Augustus Bartow was the oldest son of John Bartow, of Pelham Manor, and was born at Westchester, in 1762. He was a farmer and at first lived at Westchester, New York, where he held a number of important offices. He was a Fence-viewer, Assessor, and Alderman or Justice of that county. He removed to Fishkill in 1806, in which place he died January 18, 1810, and is buried in Trinity Church-yard.

young; Isabel Bartow, who married Dr. Auguste Frederic Müller, and Caroline Gamble Bartow, who married Right Rev. Frederick Burgess.

J. Charity Bartow, born 1765, married Dr. John G. Wright, lived at Eastchester, New York, and died September 24, 1847.

K. Robert Stevenson Bartow, born 1767, married Susan, daughter of David Duncan, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and New York, died July 20, 1843, and had issue: John Russell Bogart Bartow, born November 17, 1793, died August 3, 1795; Robert Alexander Bartow, born March 12, 1796, lawyer, died in New Orleans, unmarried, November 15, 1822; Susan Duncan Bartow, born April 3, 1798; Anthony Kissam Bartow, born November 15, 1800, died October 22, 1808; Susan Rowland Bartow, born November 28, 1805, married Rev. William Augustus Curtis, died June 30, 1837; Emeline Julia Bartow, born January 17, 1809, married in 1827, Rev. William H. Lewis, D.D., Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn, died July 12, 1882.

SUSANNAH STEVENSON.

No. 75. Susannah Stevenson (William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of William and Hannah (Hicks) Stevenson, married William Kennedy. Their children were:

Mary Kennedy, born 1761, married Colonel Crockatt, and died in 1837.

Edward Kennedy, born March 10, 1770.

Hannah Kennedy, who married (1st) Dr. Robert Tucker and had issue: Major Fanning C. Tucker, of Brooklyn, New York; Cornelius Wortendyke Tucker, James Tucker, Susan Maria Tucker, who married Juan Francis Lewis, son of the "Signer;" and Caroline Tucker. Hannah Kennedy married (2d) Rev. John Ireland.

After the Revolution William and Susannah Kennedy went to Nova Scotia.

CHAPTER VIII.

FIFTH GENERATION.

THOMAS STEVENSON.

No. 79. THOMAS STEVENSON (Samuel[4], Thomas[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Searle) Stevenson, was born 25 day, 5 mo., 1733. He lived in Bethlehem, afterwards Kingwood Township, Hunterdon County, N. J. His wife was named Margaret. He was a member of the Quakertown Friends' Meeting, in which he declared his first intention to marry 7 day, 9 mo., 1761, but the name of his intended wife is not recorded. His children were:

CLVIII. Arthur Stevenson, who 12 day, 7 mo., 1781, declared his first intention to marry in the Quakertown meeting an unnamed person (Martha Heusted).
Elizabeth Drinker, in her diary, under date of 13 day, 11 mo., 1806, says, "My husband purchased a pair of horses of Arthur Stevenson, of Kingwood. He gave our grey pair and $170 to boot." Arthur Stevenson died in 1846. His children were: Andrew Stevenson, married Sarah Cremer and removed to Cleveland, Ohio; Samuel Stevenson, of Franklin Township, Hunterdon County, N. J., born 1807, married Sarah Case and died April 4, 1892; Theodore Stevenson, married Isabella Slater, died in 1867; Sarah Stevenson, married Thomas Earl; Edward Stevenson, born June 9, 1812, married Martha Irwin; Rachel Stevenson; Eliza Stevenson, born January 28, 1818, married Henry Post (born February 12, 1816), January 3, 1846.

CLIX. Thomas Stevenson, born ——, married Rachel Cherry. His will is dated October 5, 1813, and probated March 8, 1814, in which he names his widow, and his children, viz.: Sarah Stevenson, married John Anderson; Rachel Stevenson, married Baker Barnes; Elizabeth Stevenson, married Joseph Anderson; Anna Stevenson, married —— Polhemus.

CLX. Samuel Stevenson declared his first intention to marry at Quakertown, on 12 day, 3 mo., 1778, but his wife's name is not given. He is buried in the graveyard at that place. On December 11, 1811, letters of Administration on his estate were granted to his son Ralph Stevenson and to James Iliff.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 88. JOHN STEVENSON (Thomas[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of Thomas and Sarah (Whitehead) Stevenson, was born in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, 22 day, 11 mo., 1732. His father had a birthright membership in the Society of Friends, but his mother, *nee* Sarah Whitehead, had been baptized into the English Church, on Long Island, and therefore could not join the Quakers without her husband's making an acknowledgment of his error in marrying "out of meeting;" therefore their son John had no claim to membership at Quakertown, by birth, but, desiring to join the Friends, he makes application to the meeting there, on 9 day, 9 mo., 1756, and is admitted. A few years later, 3 day, 8 mo., 1759, he gets a certificate of removal to Chesterfield, Burlington County; but afterwards returns again to Quakertown, with a certificate dated 3 day, 8 mo., 1760.

John Stevenson declared, in the Quakertown Meeting, his first intention to marry Mercy King on 12 day, 7 mo., 1760. She was born at Amwell, 26 day, 10 mo., 1739, and was the daughter of Joseph, Junior, and Mercy King. Her emigrant ancestor was Harmanus King, who went from England to Holland, and thence to Flushing, Long Island. He was enumerated amongst its taxable inhabitants in 1683, and in 1698, and was made a freeman of the town. The next year he removed to Nottingham Township, Burlington County, N. J. He was a member of the Flushing Friends' Meeting, and brought the following certificate to the Chesterfield Meeting.

*"*ffrom our Monthly Meeting at fflushing one Long Island the Seventh day of ye ffirst mo., 1699."*

"Deare ffriends wee dearly salute you in ye truth and hearby sartefie that Harmanas King lived amongst us and belonged to our Meeting and he remouing into your parts to Live requested of us a sertificate of his coneursation which was sober and orderly walking according to his profession in much simplisetie and have left a good report behind him having made prouff

* Copied from the Chesterfield Friends' Records by Miss Anna M. North, No. 227 East State St., Trenton, New Jersey.

of his Love to truth acording to his capacity by an Inosent Conuersation and as such wee desire hee may bee Received amongst you hoping that hee will Continueue in the sam nearness to truth and its ffollowings."

"*Signed by order and on behalf of Said Meeting*

pr. Sam. Bown."

"Harmanius" King's will is dated Nottingham Township, September 1, 1726, and was probated March 14, 1727. In it he names his wife, four sons and one daughter.

His son, Joseph, Senior, was born in Flushing. He early (1729) bought large tracts of land in that part of Bethlehem Township, which, about 1749, was set off as a separate district and named after him, Kingwood Township. It is now in Franklin Township. Joseph King, Senior, was one of the organizers of the Quakertown Friends' Meeting, and was one of the five trustees to whom the lot for the Meeting House was deeded in 1733. A memorial in the records of that meeting recites: "Our antient Friend Joseph King," (Senior,) "departed this life the 10th Day of the 12th Month, 1761, In the Seventy-eight year of his age, and was Inter'd in Friends' Burying Ground, Kingwood, the Eleventh day of the Same Month."

His son Joseph, Junior, lived in Amwell Township, but the birth of all his children are recorded in the Quakertown records.

About the year 1779, John Stevenson removed to Independence Township, Sussex County, and attached himself to the Hardwick Friends' Meeting. He died 12 day, 4 mo., 1812.

John and Mercy Stevenson's children were:

CLXI. Sarah Stevenson, born 7 day, 1 mo., 1762, died 26 day, 4 mo., 1785.

CLXII. Mary Stevenson, born 23 day, 5 mo., 1764.

CLXIII. Joseph Stevenson, born 19 day, 3 mo., 1767.

CLXIV. Thomas Stevenson, born 24 day, 2 mo., 1769, married Rebecca, daughter of Samuel and Susan Webster, of Kingwood, 2 day, 11 mo., 1794, died 17 day, 6 mo., 1798. Had issue: Anna Stevenson, died 5 day, 8 mo., 1798; Susan Stevenson. The widow, Rebecca Stevenson, married (2d) John Freeman, 20 day, 12 mo., 1810.

CLXV. Abigail Stevenson, born 31 day, 3 mo., 1772.

CLXVI. Anna Stevenson, born 11 day, 3 mo., 1775, married James Wilson, 9 day, 10 mo., 1799.

CLXVII. Daniel Stevenson, born 28 day, 12 mo., 1777, died 5 day, 7 mo., 1799.

CLXVIII. John Stevenson, born 7 day, 6 mo., 1780, married Mary (born 26 day, 6 mo., 1784,) daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Hampton) Lundy,* at Hardwick Meeting, 10 day, 10 mo., 1804. John Stevenson lived on the Pequest River, Independence Township, Warren County, N. J., where he died in 1824; his wife having deceased the year previous. He left no issue. His estate descended to his nephew John, son of his brother, Joseph Stevenson.

CLXIX. James Stevenson, born 23 day, 6 mo., 1783, died 21 day, 9 mo., 1802.

JOHN STEVENSON.†

No. 91. JOHN STEVENSON (William[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of William, and Mary (Bunting) Stevenson, was born 27 day, 5 mo., 1756, married Amelia, daughter of Thomas and Ann Murfin Lawrie, 23 day, 11 mo., 1786. The latter was born 31 day, 8 mo., 1768.

Amelia Lawrie was the great granddaughter of Thomas Lawrie, who arrived in East Jersey, in December, 1683, with his son James and daughter Ann.‡ He settled at Cheesequake, Monmouth County, but afterwards removed to Freehold. He is believed to have been a brother of Gawen Lawrie, the great landed Proprietor and Governor of East Jersey, although he is not mentioned in the latter's will. On August 16, 1698, § Thomas Lawrie conveyed to James Lawrie, several lots of land in Monmouth County, and in the deed he styles him his only son. His will is dated March 6, 1712, and was probated August 12, 1714; the son James being named as executor. James Lawrie, who married —— Redford, died in 1741. His son, Thomas Lawrie, was born in 1711, married

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* From family papers of W. C. Armstrong, Johnsonburg, Warren County, N. J.

† Note duplicate Roman numeral XCI, on pp. 72 and 76.

‡ *Liber* A, East Jersey, p. 330.

§ *Liber* F. East Jersey, p. 638, &c.

Ann Murfin (born 1 day, 2 mo., 1738), 19 day, 6 mo., 1760, and died 24 day, 12 mo., 1785.

John Stevenson removed from Burlington County to Mannington, Salem County, N. J., and from thence to Rochester, New York, where he died 25 day, 8 mo., 1834. His certificate of removal from the Monthly Meeting at Salem to that of Rochester, is dated 30 day, 5 mo., 1827.

His children were :

CLXX. William Lawrie Stevenson, born 22 day, 6 mo., 1788.

CLXXI. Mary Stevenson, born 16 day, 9 mo., 1791, married Clayton Wistar, son of John and Charlotte Wistar, 9 day, 11 mo., 1814, and died 15 day, 12 mo., 1825. Clayton Wistar was born 23 day, 2 mo., 1793, and died 10 day, 9 mo., 1840. Had issue : John Wistar, born 25 day, 11 mo., 1815, married Letitia Miller Acton in 1845, died in 1852 ; Richard Wistar, first, born 20 day, 11 mo., 1818, died 11 day, 8 mo., 1819 ; Richard Wistar, second, born 14 day, 7 mo., 1821, married Charlotte W. Acton, 7 day, 9 mo., 1842.

CLXXII. Daniel Stevenson, born 28 day, 3 mo., 1795, married (1st) Hannah Sayre Adams, 6 day, 3 mo., 1817 ; (2d) Rachael B. Riley, 3 day, 4 mo., 1834. He removed from Salem to Wilmington, Delaware, taking a certificate to the Friends' Meeting at the latter place, dated 7 day, 6 mo., 1820. He died 7 day, 9 mo., 1855.

Daniel Stevenson's children by his first wife were : John A. Stevenson, born 14 day, 12 mo., 1817, married Sarah Jane Welch, in November, 1845. He settled in Georgia, and was colonel of the First Georgia Confederate Regiment ; Edward L. Stevenson, born 13 day, 4 mo., 1819, married Virena Wharton, died 17 day, 10 mo., 1874 ; Daniel Stevenson, born 30 day, 12 mo., 1820 ; married Martha, daughter of Jonah C. and Ann G. Rogers, April 5, 1846, and settled in Georgia ; Joseph Stevenson, born 12 day, 3 mo., 1824, died 12 day, 3 mo., 1824. Children of Daniel Stevenson, by second wife : Anna Amelia Stevenson, born 5 day, 1 mo., 1835 ; Albert G. Stevenson, born 6 day, 1 mo., 1837.

CLXXIII. Charles Stevenson, born 2 day, 3 mo., 1797, married Rachel, daughter of Samuel and Margaret Hilliard, 18 day, 11 mo., 1818, died 6 day, 11 mo., 1837. Their children were :

A. Samuel H. Stevenson, born 7 day, 8 mo., 1820, married, 8 day, 6 mo., 1850, Kate (born 6 day, 2 mo., 1829), daughter of John and Susannah (Parker) McDonald, died 27 day, 8 mo., 1895. Had issue : Samuel Price Stevenson, born 29 day, 10 mo., 1854 ; Charles Edward Stevenson, born 22 day, 2 mo., 1857, married Emma Sharpless, 31 day, 5 mo.,

1882; Harry Bowman Stevenson, born 10 day, 9 mo., 1860, married Mary Wright; Oscar Stevenson, born 1 day, 2 mo., 1862, married Mary Crozer Taylor, 29 day, 6 mo., 1887; Kate M. Stevenson, born 4 day, 4 mo., 1869.

B. Richard Stevenson, born 21 day, 1 mo., 1824, married, 28 day, 4 mo., 1852, Anna W. Taylor (born 7 day, 7 mo., 1832), and died 17 day, 8 mo., 1891. Had issue: Anna Garrett Stevenson, born 5 day, 2 mo., 1853, married John W. Campion, 9 mo., 1874; Charles Stevenson, born 9 day, 5 mo., 1854, married —— 1888, Susan Farror; Katharine Stevenson, born 14 day, 6 mo., 1856, died 24 day, 9 mo., 1862; Joseph T. Stevenson, born 18 day, 9 mo., 1862, died 11 day, 11 mo., 1862; William T. Stevenson, born 28 day, 2 mo., 1864, married Marguerita Marks, 9 mo., 1891; Mary Lawrie Stevenson, born 31 day, 10 mo., 1865, married Harry T. Abernathy, 1 day, 1 mo., 1890; Horace Stevenson, born 22 day, 6 mo., 1867, married Belle Huckins, 15 day, 9 mo., 1895.

C. Margaretta Hilliard Stevenson, born 22 day, 2 mo., 1826, married in 1846, Samuel Price (born 30 day, 6 mo., 1816, died 30 day, 10 mo., 1880), Margaretta died 24 day, 4 mo., 1898; Had issue: Mary Wilson Price, born 8 day, 3 mo., 1847. Ferris Price, born 16 day, 2 mo., 1849, died unmarried, 16 day, 6 mo., 1897; Charles Stevenson Price, born 24 day, 1 mo., 1852, married Gertrude Heaton Shaw, 23 day, 8 mo., 1881; Martha Smith Price, born 17 day, 12 mo., 1853, married Eli L. Garrett, 2 day, 5 mo., 1889; Margaretta Hilliard Price, born 11 day, 1 mo., 1857, married Samuel Yewdell, 5 day, 10 mo., 1880.

D. Mary Stevenson, born 13 day, 12 mo., 1829, married Thomas Bickham Price, who was born 19 day, 10 mo., 1825, and died 24 day, 1 mo., 1899. Had issue: Henry Clay, Sarah and Mary Price, all of whom died young.

E. Charles Edward Stevenson, born 24 day, 9 mo., 1834, died young.

F. Charles Henry Stevenson, born 14 day, 1 mo., 1839, died young.

CLXXIV. John Stevenson, born 6 day, 5 mo., 1801, married (1st) Anna W. Brick, 21 day, 11 mo., 1821, who died 23 day, 9 mo., 1828; married (2d) Lucy Ann Terry, in 1832. John Stevenson died 9 day, 6 mo., 1835, and had issue by first wife:

A. William B. Stevenson, born 7 day, 9 mo., 1822, died young.

B. John Stevenson, } twins.
C. Anne Stevenson, } died young.

D. Anna Amelia Stevenson, born 5 day, 5 mo., 1826, married, 21 day, 10 mo., 1847, Joseph G. Harlan (born 18 day, 9 mo., 1825, died 12 day, 11 mo., 1857). Anna Amelia Harlan died 11 mo., 1858. Had issue: Anna Brick Harlan, born

29 day, 12 mo., 1849, married John Wistar, 3 day, 11 mo., 1869; William B. Harlan, born 31 day, 1 mo., 1852, married, 14 day, 6 mo., 1875, Caroline A. Murray, died in 1878; Sarah Harlan, born 8 day, 10 mo., 1854; Josephine Harlan, born 12 day, 7 mo., 1857, married Kent Worthington, 17 day, 10 mo., 1879.

By his second wife, Lucy Ann Terry, John Stevenson had:

E. John W. Irving Stevenson, born 17 day, 5 mo., 1833, married, 14 day, 2 mo., 1858, Christina S., daughter of John and Christina Wiseman, born 30 day, 12 mo., 1836.

CLXXV. James Stevenson, born 1 day, 6 mo., 1803, died 23 day, 9 mo., 1808.

CLXXVI. Lucy Ann Stevenson, born 15 day, 8 mo., 1806, died 13 day, 10 mo., 1806.

CLXXVII. Emily Lawrie Stevenson, born 28 day, 8 mo., 1808, married George Hanford, died 1 day, 8 mo., 1832. Had issue: Mary, Amelia, and George Hanford, all of whom died young.

SAMUEL STEVENSON.

No. 92. SAMUEL STEVENSON* (William[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Mary (Bunting) Stevenson, married (1st) Catharine Minor, who died 18 day, 2 mo., 1802; (2d) Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Gaskill, on 12 day, 4 mo., 1804.

His children by first wife were:

CLXXVIII. Thomas Minor Stevenson, born 27 day, 3 mo., 1791.

CLXXIX. Rebecca Minor Stevenson, born 28 day, 2 mo., 1793.

CLXXX. Samuel Stevenson, born 19 day, 10 mo., 1797.

CLXXXI. Ann Stevenson, died 12 day, 4 mo., 1802.

CLXXXII. Laurence Stevenson, born 4 day, 9 mo., 1802.

His children by second wife were:

CLXXXIII. William Stevenson, born 29 day, 12 mo., 1804.

CLXXXIV. Catharine Stevenson, born 7 day, 9 mo., 1806.

CLXXXV. Mary Ann Stevenson, born 25 day, 4 mo., 1808; married Joseph Engle.

CLXXXVI. Samuel B. Stevenson, born 18 day, 3 mo., 1810.

CLXXXVII. Joseph Stevenson, born 13 day, 4 mo., 1812.

CLXXXVIII. Sarah Stevenson, born 26 day, 4 mo., 1814.

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*Samuel Stevenson removed from Springfield to Mt. Holly, Burlington County, in 1802, and his children's births are copied from the Friends' records of Chesterfield and Mt. Holly meetings.

WILLIAM STEVENSON.

No. 93. WILLIAM STEVENSON (William[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Mary (Bunting) Stevenson, born 12 day, 7 mo., 1766; married Elizabeth, daughter of Benjamin Allibone, of Red Stone, Pennsylvania, 3 day, 4 mo., 1798. He died 22 day, 11 mo., 1857.

Their children were:

CLXXXIX. John Stevenson, died young.

CXC. Mary Stevenson, married Dr. Charles Noble, died 3 mo., 1838. Had issue: William Stevenson Noble, who married Mary E. Backus, 15 day, 10 mo., 1857, died 18 day, 4 mo., 1867, leaving children: Frederick Noble, died 1883; Agnes Noble, died in infancy; Maud Noble; William Woodbridge Noble married Alice Bond Janney, 7 day, 6 mo., 1888.

CXCI. Ann Stevenson, born 21 day, 8 mo., 1807, died 14 day, 8 mo., 1808. } Twins.

CXCII. Susannah Stevenson, born 21 day, 8 mo., 1807, married Washington Brown, died 1 day, 6 mo., 1870. } Twins.

Their children were:

A. Mary Stevenson Brown, born 29 day, 12 mo., 1838, married (1st) 18 day, 9 mo., 1872, Adolph Von der Weiler. Had issue: Susalie Von der Weiler, born 1873, died 1874; Adolph Von der Weiler, born 8 day, 1 mo., 1875; married (2d) Dr. T. D. Myers, 4 day, 4 mo., 1881.

B. Charlotte Maria Brown, born 2 day, 6 mo., 1848, married Joseph S. Lovering Wharton, 13 day, 10 mo., 1873, died 13 day, 9 mo., 1886.

CXCIII. Benjamin Stevenson, born 14 day, 9 mo., 1805, died unmarried 7 day, 11 mo., 1874.

CXCIV. Esther Jones Stevenson, born 11 day, 3 mo., 1810, married Cyrus Hilborn, died 25 day, 5 mo., 1854.

Their children were:

A. Elizabeth Stevenson Hilborn, born 3 day, 7 mo., 1846, married Robert W. Fulton, 1 day, 10 mo., 1872. Had issue: Frances Fulton, born 17 day, 9 mo., 1873; Richard Colwell Fulton, born 12 day, 4 mo., 1875; Roberta Dorothy Fulton, born 27 day, 1 mo., 1877; Charlotte Fulton, born 19 day, 12 mo., 1879; Petrina Fulton, born 28 day, 12 mo., 1889, died 18 day, 5 mo., 1893.

B. Frances Waterman Hilborn, born 7 day, 2 mo., 1849, married John Mackintosh Mackelrie, 20 day, 5 mo., 1880. Had issue: Esther Mackelrie, born 20 day, 8 mo., 1881;

Ruth Mackelrie, died 4 day, 4 mo., 1891; Doris Mackelrie, born 7 day, 6 mo., 1892; Margaret Hilborn Mackelrie, born 4 day, 7 mo., 1897, died in infancy.

JAMES STEVENSON.

No. 94. JAMES STEVENSON (William[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of William and Mary (Bunting) Stevenson, married Ann Cooper.

Their children were:

CXCV. Catharine Stevenson, married James M. Bowman. Had issue: Margaret Bowman; Alonzo Bowman, who married Bella Sweeting.

CXCVI. Esther Stevenson.

CXCVII. Mary B. Stevenson, married Samuel Lodge.

CXCVIII. Sarah Stevenson.

CXCIX. William Stevenson.

CC. Alexander Stevenson.

CCI. Susan B. Stevenson, married George Cooper. Had issue: Frank, William and James Cooper.

CCII. James Stevenson.

CCIII. Isaac Stevenson, married Emma Denning.

CCIV. Anna Stevenson, married Robert P. Lloyd.

CHAPTER IX.

SAMUEL STEVENSON.

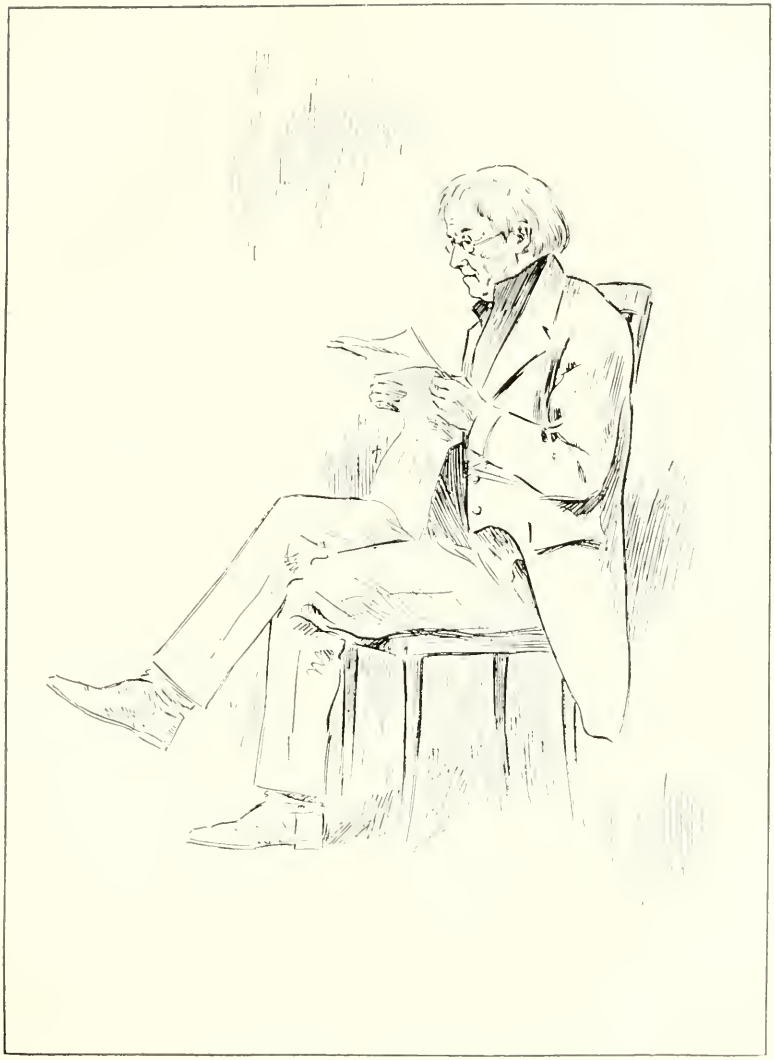
No. 110. SAMUEL STEVENSON (Thomas[4], Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Thomas and Alice Stevenson, was born at Amwell, in the severe winter of 1740–1741. Being the oldest son and his father dying intestate, he inherited the homestead property by right of primogeniture. He married Mary, daughter of Joseph Siddon, of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, March 27, 1763. The Siddon family were among the early English Quaker settlers of Gloucester County, New Jersey; John Siddon and his son Ezekiel buying land on the Delaware River as early as 1699. Like some other early colonists the family was limited to a few descendants. Samuel Stevenson removed in 1771 to Burlington County, where he died in 1803. His widow, Mary, died in 1825.

Their children were:

CCV. Sarah Stevenson, born July 4, 1764, married David (born October 24, 1756), son of David and Mary Cox, 21 day, 10 mo., 1790, died April 10, 1813. Had issue: Sarah S. Cox, born June 28, 1792, married Thomas Doughty, the artist, of New York, died September 28, 1870; Mary Cox, died intestate; Ann M. Cox, born May 18, 1800, married (1st) John West, (2d) H. J. Eldredge; Abigail Cox, born September 25, 1804, married (1st) Joseph Grice, (2d) H. J. Staples; William Kelly Cox, born February 12, 1807, married Mary H. Bellangee (born October 22, 1807), December 25, 1832, died October 1, 1872.

CCVI. Thomas Stevenson, born September 6, 1765, married Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Isabella Thorne, July 28, 1795. He lived at Stevenson's Mill in Gloucester, now Camden County, New Jersey, where he died December 2, 1852. Rebecca Stevenson, died March 6, 1853.

Rebecca Thorne was born July 3, 1768, in Gloucester County, New Jersey. Her father, Capt. Joseph Thorne, was descended from William Thorne, one of the patentees of Flushing, Long Island, in 1645. His grandfather, Samuel Thorne, Junior, who lived in Flushing, Long Island, served



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THOMAS STEVENSON

No. CCVI

in Captain Galup's company in the war on Canada. He invested in a large tract of land in Gloucester County. The grandson, Joseph Thorne, was elected Collector of Gloucester Township in that county in 1763. He was commissioned Captain on August 10, 1776,* in the Second Battalion, Gloucester County Volunteers. He served during the war and died November 19, 1819, aged ninety years.

Thomas and Rebecca Stevenson's children were :

A. Mary Stevenson, born September 30, 1796, died unmarried March 24, 1864.

B. Isaac Stevenson, born June 5, 1798, married Elizabeth Barrett, October 11, 1824, died —— 1828. Had issue : Samuel Stevenson ; Rebecca Stevenson, born July 17, 1825, married Thomas W. James, lawyer, of Jersey City, October 17, 1842, and died December 6, 1868.

C. Elizabeth Stevenson, born August 31, 1799, married Thomas A. Alexander (President of Ætna Fire Insurance Company, Hartford, Connecticut), October 16, 1826, died January 9, 1862. Had issue : James A. Alexander, married April 18, 1855, Catharine Maria, daughter of Dr. John M. Cornelison, of Jersey City ; she was born February 28, 1829, died April 6, 1901. Joseph Alexander, died unmarried ; Henry C. Alexander, born June 17, 1832, married December 6th, 1854, Sarah M. Gibbs, who was born February 6, 1832, and died May 24, 1900, leaving children : Joseph, Charles and Curtiss Alexander and Elizabeth Alexander Fewsmith ; Thomas Alexander, married Catherine Keyser.

D. Sarah Ann Stevenson, born April 5, 1802, died unmarried December 18, 1883.

E. Samuel Stevenson, born April 20, 1803, married May 16, 1833, Anna, daughter of John and Anna Rudderow, of Merchantville, New Jersey ; died July 23, 1835.

John Rudderow was the great grandson of John Rudderow, one of the few English lawyers who settled early in the Colonies. Law and surveying being then often united in one person, John Rudderow, the settler, was sent to America as a Crown Surveyor. In 1681 and 1682 he appears in the embryo city of Philadelphia in supervision over Penn's surveyors, who were laying out the new city. This completed he determined to remain in this country, and in 1681 † located and settled on a large tract of land in Chester Township, Burlington County, N. J. He was appointed Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions of that county in 1706, and served three years ; being reappointed in 1721, he filled another term of the same duration.

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* Stryker's "Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War," p. 414.
† *Liber* BK. p. 77.

Samuel and Anne Stevenson's children were: Dr. John R. Stevenson, born February 12, 1834, married August 6, 1861, Frances Stratton, daughter of the Hon. Charles and Beulah A. Reeves, whose only child is Charles R. Stevenson, born July 17, 1862, married July 24, 1889, Emma, daughter of Lieut.-Com. Edwin J. and Mary (DaCosta) De Haven, U. S. Navy; Thomas Stevenson, born May 12, 1835, who resided in Camden, New Jersey. Early in the Civil War he was commissioned a First Lieutenant in the 8th regiment of New Jersey Volunteers (May 19, 1862), and was promoted Captain December 10, 1862. He served through the Peninsular Campaign and in the Potomac valley. He was killed at the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863, and buried on the field of battle. He was unmarried.

F. Miriam Stevenson, born March 19, 1805, married March 14, 1833, John Rudderow (born January 20, 1810); died April 15, 1892. Had issue: Thomas S. Rudderow, born January 4, 1835, died January 15, 1866; Edwin Rudderow, born October 13, 1836, died young; Charles Rudderow, born November 4, 1838, married Margaret Gregory, May 15, 1860, died September 21, 1895; Anna Elizabeth Rudderow, born November 15, 1840; Edward Rudderow, born April 8, 1845, married May 26, 1882, Sarah J. Trotter, born July 23, 1858.

G. Joseph Thorne Stevenson, born March 21, 1807, married Sarah, daughter of Josiah and Hannah Ellis, October 31, 1854; died September 1, 1884. Sarah Stevenson, died January 15, 1886. No issue.

CCVII. Samuel Stevenson, born November 16, 1767, died young.

ELNATHAN STEVENSON.

No. 126. ELNATHAN STEVENSON (Edward[4], Elnathan[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Edward and Mary (Stilwell) Stevenson, was born near Lambertville, in Amwell Township, Hunterdon County, December 15, 1761. He married Mary Stilwell, who was born October 28, 1766.

*A late member of the Historical Society of this county thus wrote about him: "He was a leading man and a citizen to do public business, located so as to have followed and filled the place of John Hart, our signer of the Declaration of Independence, who died when he was a young man. They lived

*Address of Dr. Geo. H. Larison before the Hunterdon County Historical Society.

about seven miles apart. His life and work here is worth the historian's notice. I often pass his grave in an old dilapidated and abandoned graveyard that is on the land he once owned, four miles east of Lambertville; but, his lands extended to near two miles of this city."

He served as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Orphans' Court from 1806 to 1831, "in which position his judgment was little disputed by the immense number who fell under his jurisdiction, for at that time the County of Hunterdon embraced nearly all of Mercer County and even the inhabitants of the State Capitol, Trenton, came to his court for justice." He was a Justice of the Peace from 1808 to 1828; a member of the Council from 1817 to 1829, and he represented his county in the New Jersey Assembly in 1810 and 1819. Elnathan Stevenson died October 30, 1842. His wife, Mary Stevenson, died May 12, 1833.

Elnathan and Mary Stevenson's children were:*

CCVIII. Sarah, born June 7, 1786.

CCIX. John, born July 26, 1790, died September 12, 1793.

CCX. Elizabeth, born November 1, 1792.

CCXI. Frances, born January 5, 1795.

CCXII. Keziah, born February 22, 1798, married Jacob Sharp.

CCXIII. Rachael, born November 29, 1802.

CCXIV. Henry Stevenson, born October 11, 1799, married Margaret Ann, daughter of Andrew Morgan, born August 22, 1803. Henry Stevenson represented Hunterdon County in the New Jersey Assembly in 1846. He died April 30, 1858, and is buried at Lambertville. His wife, Margaret Ann, died March 10, 1857. Their children were: John Stevenson, born April 18, 1825; Sarah Elizabeth Stevenson, born March 28, 1827; Elnathan Stevenson, born December 5, 1828; Mary Frances Stevenson, born May 12, 1830; Rachael Stevenson, born March 15, 1832; Ann Rebecca Stevenson, born January 21, 1834; Keziah Jane Stevenson, born July 10, 1835; Edward Stevenson, born July 6, 1837; Margaret Susanna Stevenson, born January 24, 1839, married June 18, 1863, Thomas Reeves Hunt (son of Burrowes Hunt), who was born August 12, 1836; Christopher Fisher Stevenson,† born November 4, 1840; Andrew Morgan Stevenson, born August 5, 1842; Catharine Stevenson, born July 27, 1844.

*Copied from the Bible of Elnathan Stevenson by Edgar W. Hunt, Lambertville, New Jersey.

†Christopher Fisher Stevenson and his brothers, Elnathan and Andrew Morgan, served in New Jersey regiments in the Civil War.—"Record of Officers and Men in N. J. in the Civil War," pages 232, 233, 242, 259, 289 and 403.

CROOKE STEVENSON.

No. 148. CROOKE STEVENSON (John[4], William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Elizabeth (Throckmorton) Stevenson, was born July 19, 1765, married Mary Beaver, May 14, 1801, and died August 17, 1820. He was drowned at Long Branch, New Jersey. Letters of Administration were granted in New Jersey to John Stevenson, of Philadelphia, and to William and James Stevenson, of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, on the estate of "Crooke Stevenson, late of Amwell," September 7, 1820. The bond furnished amounted to $50,000.

Crooke and Mary Stevenson's children were:

CCXV. William Beaver Stevenson, born April 5, 1802, died June 19, 1821; buried in Havana.

CCXVI. Robert Stevenson, born November 22, 1803, died October 22, 1816; buried in Christ's Church-yard, Philadelphia.

CCXVII. Elizabeth Stevenson, born April 21, 1805, married by Rev. Dr. Bedell, July 12, 1827, her cousin, Cornelius Stevenson Smith (born February 4, 1797), died May 3, 1883; buried in St. Luke's Church-yard, Germantown.

Their children were:

A. Crooke Stevenson Smith, born June 9, 1828, died January 24, 1831.

B. Mary Beaver Smith, born October 21, 1830, died December 4, 1835.

C. Rowland Stevenson Smith, born April 1, 1833, died June 13, 1896.

D. Cornelius Stevenson Smith, born May 4, 1836.

E. Elizabeth Stevenson Smith, born June 8, 1839, married, September 26, 1860, Gilbert Henry Newhall, who died May 5, 1892. Had issue: Walter Symonds Newhall, born May 2, 1866, married Fanny Tipton, June 24, 1890, and have one child, George Tipton Newhall, born January 5, 1892; Elizabeth Stevenson Newhall, born March 23, 1873; Cornelius Stevenson Newhall, born April 10, 1877.

F. Harriet Stevenson Smith, born March 29, 1842, died April 14, 1857.

G. Robert Stevenson Smith, born September 9, 1845.

CCXVIII. Rowland Newton Stevenson, born January 21, 1807, married, January 8, 1834, by Rev. Dr. Bedell, Charles Davis (born June 6, 1807); died October 15, 1870. Charles Davis, died October 30, 1854. Their children were:

A. Elizabeth Stevenson Davis, born November 5, 1834, married, October 29, 1856, Alfred English; died October 15, 1890. Alfred English died March 18, 1881. Had issue: Lillie

English, born May 28, 1857, married February 21, 1884, George Sargent; C. Davis English, born February 15, 1860.

B. Emily Stevenson Davis, born February 21, 1839, married January, 1866, C. Fiske Harris; died October 15, 1881. No issue:

C. William Stevenson Davis, born March 25, 1842, died November 28, 1864, unmarried.

D. Ellwood Davis, Jr., born November 16, 1844, unmarried. Killed in the Civil War, in 1863.

CCXIX. Crooke Stevenson, born August 24, 1809, died January 12 1811; buried in Christ's Church-yard.

CCXX. Mary Newton Stevenson, born February 26, 1812, married December 6, 1831, by Rev. Dr. Bedell, George B. Hall; died at Carlton, Germantown, Philadelphia, October 29, 1843. George B. Hall died April 9. 1844; no issue.

CCXXI. Emily Stevenson, born February 10, 1815, married August 13, 1839, Rev. James Welsh Cooke (born March 5, 1810); died July 27, 1884. Rev. James Welsh Cooke died April 12, 1853

CCXXII. Harriet Crooke Stevenson, born July 1, 1817, married, by Rev. James W. Cooke, on March 19, 1846, William S.* (born June 6, 1815), son of William S. and Matilda (Peters) Crothers; died December 31, 1889. William S. Crothers died February 6, 1887. Their children were:

A. Mary Bartow Crooke Crothers, born June 12, 1849, married April 19, 1870, Andrew Cheves Dulles, who died March 9, 1901. Had issue: Margaret Dulles, born March 9, 1877, married February 24, 1897, John Hister Irwin.

B. Harriet Stevenson Crothers, born June 30, 1854, married April 30, 1879, Craig Heberton; died September 13, 1900. Had issue: Ethel Crothers Heberton, born February 9, 1880, married April 5. 1901, John Hamilton Harris; Harriet Stevenson Heberton, born February 25, 1886.

C. William S. Crothers, Jr., M.D., born October 31, 1857, married Virginia Heath Mortimer; died April, 1901. No issue.

D. Stevenson Crothers, born July 14, 1860, married October 25, 1883, Alice Poultney (born September 30, 1865), daughter of Stephen and Rachael (Dawson) Morris. Had issue: Stevenson Morris Crothers, born October 17, 1887.

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* William Shirmer Crothers, Junior, was the grandson of Anthony Crothers, who was born in 1753. His name indicates that he was of Scotch-Irish descent, to which nationality so many families belonged that settled in Pennsylvania, between the Delaware and Susquehanna rivers. In the years 1788 and 1789, Anthony Crothers was Junior Warden of Lodge No. 8 of Masons, at Norristown, Pennsylvania, and during the same period he was also a member of the Hibernia Society in that place. For a time he served as a Deputy Surveyor, but finally located as a merchant at No. 230 Market street, Philadelphia. Anthony Crothers married Hannah Shirmer in the First Presbyterian Church in the latter city, where he died in March, 1809. His son, William S. Crothers, Senior, was born in 1788, and married Matilda, daughter of George Peters, of Philadelphia, and died in 1831.

SAMUEL WILLETT STEVENSON.

No. 153. Samuel Willett Stevenson (Augustine[4], William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Augustine and Caroline (Willett) Stevenson, was born in Amwell, New Jersey, August 26, 1780, married —— Runyan.

He is mentioned in his mother's will, and small bequests were left by her to his children, but they are not named.

Their son was :

CCXXIII. Samuel, born July 4, 1805.

AUGUSTINE STEVENSON.

No. 154. Augustine Stevenson (Augustine[4], William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Augustine and Caroline (Willett) Stevenson, was born in Amwell, New Jersey, December 16, 1786, married March 11, 1811, Ann, daughter of James and Jane Barclay, of Philadelphia, died August 18, 1858. Ann B. Stevenson died March 30, 1833. Augustine Stevenson was a wholesale merchant in dry goods in Philadelphia.

Their children were : *

CCXXIV. James Barclay Stevenson, died unmarried.

CCXXV. Jane Ann Stevenson, married (1st) Robert T. Doran ; no issue ; (2d) Jesse A. Lane. Had issue : Augustine S. Lane, born in 1843 ; Martin Stevenson Lane, born in 1845 ; Gilpin Lane, born in 1847 ; Ann B. Lane, born in 1849, married Alfred E. Elliott ; Sarah J. Lane, born in 1851, married Huxley Harvey.

CCXXVI. John Barclay Stevenson, born May 14, 1816, married (1st) October 16, 1839, Elizabeth Heisler Roberts ; (2d) Mary A. Reid, by whom there was no issue. The children by the first wife were :

A. John Barclay Stevenson, Jr., born January 19, 1844, married Mary Guernsey. Had issue : Adelaide G. Stevenson, John B. Stevenson, Elizabeth H. Roberts Stevenson, Guernsey Stevenson.

B. Ann Barclay Stevenson, born November 7, 1842, married Dr. Oliver P. Rex. Had issue : John B. S. Rex, born July 1, 1871 ; Mary R. Rex, born March 10, 1875.

C. Mary Roberts Stevenson, born May 26, 1841, married Samuel C. Graham.

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* From family records copied by Theodore A. Royal, Jr., of Philadelphia, and J. Milton Colton, of Jenkintown, Pennsylvania.

AUGUSTINE STEVENSON

No. 154

D. Roberts Stevenson, born May 26, 1845, married Jennie Hieston. Had issue: Roberts Stevenson, born November 27, 1871; Eleanor H. Stevenson, born March 6, 1874; Mary R. Stevenson, born June 15, 1886; Jennie H. Stevenson, born June 16, 1869, deceased.

E. Elizabeth Roberts Stevenson, born March 24, 1847.

CCXXVII. Augustin Stevenson, died unmarried.

CCXXVIII. Andrew Barclay Stevenson, married Aurelia Trempor. Had issue: Alice Stevenson, Horace Stevenson, Henry Stevenson, Homer Stevenson.

CCXXIX. Margaret Barclay Stevenson, married October 7, 1840, George Heisler Roberts, born April 28, 1815, and who died July 1, 1894. Their children were:

A. George Heisler Roberts, born July 13, 1841, married Julia Culbertson, May 9, 1865. Had issue: Margaret Stevenson Roberts, born March 21, 1867; Caroline Stevenson Roberts, born July 28, 1869; Alexander C. Roberts, born November 30, 1871.

B. Anna Stevenson Roberts, born July 16, 1843, married, November 23, 1871, William S. McLean (born May 27, 1841), lawyer, of Wilkesbarre, Penna. Had issue: George Roberts McLean, born January 24, 1873; Elizabeth S. McLean, born January 31, 1875, died June 23, 1880; Margaret Stevenson McLean, born September 30, 1876; William Swan McLean, born December 17, 1877; Perry Craige McLean, born September 16, 1885; Harold McLean, born September 17, 1881, died young.

C. Augustin S. Roberts, born August 15, 1846.

D. Harry C. Roberts, born February 1, 1850, married February 18, 1890, Hannah Lucas.

E. Mary Roberts, born July 20, 1852, married, January 22, 1880, John Milton Colton,* born October 25, 1849. Had issue: Milton Beaumont Colton, born December 27, 1880; Margaret Barclay Colton, born May 25, 1883; Mary Ethel Colton, born January 16, 1886.

F. Margaret Barclay Roberts, born September 10, 1854, married, April 25, 1877, James Porter McFarland. Had issue: James B. McFarland, born February 28, 1879; Harold Barclay McFarland, born September 15, 1882.

CCXXX. Caroline Stevenson.

CCXXXI. Washington Jackson Stevenson; died unmarried.

CCXXXII. Myra Barclay Stevenson, married January 3, 1854, Theodore Ashmead Royal. Had issue: Augustine Stevenson Royal, born October 6, 1854; Margaret Barclay Royal, born September 2, 1857; Eliza Engel Royal, born August 4, 1859; John Gilbert Royal, born July 25, 1861; Theodore Ashmead Royal, Jr., born July 1, 1863; Ann Barclay Stevenson Royal, born June 18, 1865.

*John Milton Colton is descended from the New England Coltons.

CHAPTER X.

SIXTH GENERATION.

JOSEPH STEVENSON.

No. 163. JOSEPH STEVENSON (John[5], Thomas[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Mercy (King) Stevenson, was born March 19, 1767. He declared his first intention 10 day, 10 mo., 1793, in Quakertown Meeting, to marry Ann Wilson, his first wife. He married, second, in the same meeting, September 26, 1796, Susannah Kester.*

Susan Kester was born 16 day, 11 mo., 1770. She was the daughter of Samuel Kester, of Kingwood, who married Susannah Webster, 10 day, 1 mo., 1758, and subsequently removed to Woodbridge, New Jersey, and granddaughter of Harmanus and Mary Kester, who settled in Hunterdon County, early in the eighteenth century, and were members of the Quakertown Friends' Meeting.

Joseph Stevenson was a prominent member of the last-named meeting. He served as its clerk from 1814 to 1821. He died August 4, 1841. His wife, Susan Stevenson, died May 11, 1870, and both are interred in Friends' Burying Ground, Quakertown.

Joseph and Susan Stevenson's children were :†

CCXXXIII. Anne Stevenson, born 25 day, 7 mo., 1797, died 7 day, 7 mo., 1798.

CCXXXIV. Amy Kester Stevenson, born 12 day, 2 mo., 1799, married Alexander Rea.

CCXXXV. John Stevenson, born May 16, 1801, married Hannah Willson.

CCXXXVI. Samuel Kester Stevenson, born November 24, 1803, married Alice Dawes.

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* The name Susannah is modernized to Susan, in the family Bible in possession of his grandson, Joseph Stevenson, of Pasadena, California.

† Copied from the Bible of Joseph Stevenson, by H. E. Deats.

CCXXXVII. Sidney Stevenson, born December 29, 1806, married Joel Wilson, widower, of Rahway, at an indulged meeting in Kingwood School-house, February 16, 1844. She died March 14, 1883; he died —— 1886. No issue. He was engaged in the hardware business in Rahway, where he resided all his life. He had a son and daughter by his first wife.

CCXXXVIII. Rebecca Stevenson, born February 11, 1810, married William Brotherton, October 28, 1847, at Rahway Friends' Meeting. He was a farmer, and during the latter years of his life resided in Toms River, New Jersey, where both are buried.

WILLIAM LAWRIE STEVENSON. *

No. 170. William Lawrie Stevenson (John[5], William[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of John and Amelia (Lawrie) Stevenson, was born 22 day, 6 mo., 1788, married Mary, daughter of Eleazer and Elizabeth (Clark) Fenton (born 13 day, 3 mo., 1791), 29 day, 12 mo., 1808. William L. Stevenson died at Mobile, Alabama, 17 day, 1 mo., 1835. His widow, Mary Stevenson, died 10 day, 12 mo., 1870.

William Lawrie Stevenson was born in Burlington, New Jersey, but removed with his parents to Salem, in 1796. He was educated at the Friends' school at Westtown, Pennsylvania, being the 75th boy to enter that celebrated institution. He taught school for a time, but located in Wilmington, Delaware, "following the sea." He was captain of one of "Hand's Packets," that ran between Philadelphia and the West Indies.

Their children were:

CCXXXIX. Elizabeth Fenton Stevenson, born 24 day, 3 mo., 1810, married Charles H. Oliver, 25 day, 6 mo., 1835; died 9 day, 11 mo., 1859. Had issue: Mary Stevenson Oliver, born 13 day, 4 mo., 1836, died 7 day, 7 mo., 1836; Elizabeth Fenton Oliver, born 9 mo., 1838, married Luther B. Cummings, 30 day, 11 mo., 1860, died 13 day, 2 mo., 1872.

CCXL. James Stevenson, born 13 day, 9 mo., 1811, died unmarried, 24 day, 9 mo., 1896.

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* From family papers of William C. Stevenson, Jr., Philadelphia.

CCXLI. Susan Stevenson, born 27 day, 10 mo., 1813, married (1st) Samuel Inskeep, 19 day, 8 mo., 1834. He died 28 day, 1 mo., 1840, and Susan married, (2d) Robert Davis Clifton, 3 day, 10 mo., 1844, who died 3 day, 3 mo., 1872. Susan S. Clifton died 19 day, 2 mo., 1901. Children by Samuel Inskeep were: William W., Samuel, Mary and Amelia Inskeep, who all died in infancy. Children by R. D. Clifton were: Susan Stevenson Clifton, born 3 day, 3 mo., 1846, married Sebastian Brown, 26 day, 9 mo., 1867, died 12 day, 10 mo., 1897; Robert Davis Clifton, born 22 day, 7 mo., 1848; married Carrie A. Hoffman, 31 day, 12 mo., 1873.

CCXLII. Emily Lawrie Stevenson, born 20 day, 4 mo., 1816, married 15 day, 2 mo., 1870, Edward Moore; died 20 day, 12 mo., 1891. No issue.

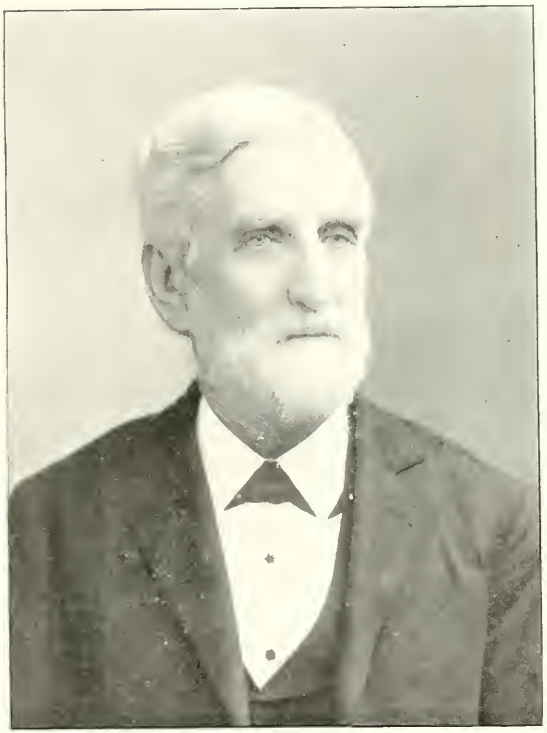
CCXLIII. Mary Fenton Stevenson. born 5 day, 2 mo., 1820, married William A. Brown, 2 day, 2 mo., 1843. Their children were: Mary A. Brown, born 12 day, 11 mo., 1843, married William M. Busey, 28 day, 10 mo., 1868; William Stevenson Brown, born 29 day, 1 mo., 1846, married Mary L. Hodge, 21 day, 2 mo., 1870; Emily Stevenson Brown, born 12 day, 5 mo., 1855, married Earnest A. Robbins, 12 day, 10 mo., 1876.

CCXLIV. William Clark Stevenson, born 1 day, 10 mo., 1822, married Sarah A., daughter of Daniel and Mary Ann (Latimer) Remick, 30 day, 12 mo., 1847. Sarah A. Stevenson was born 27 day, 2 mo., 1827, and died 25 day, 5 mo., 1893. Their child was William Clark Stevenson, Junior, born 7 day, 12 mo , 1848, married 13 day, 11 mo., 1873, Elizabeth Curtis, daughter of George and Deborah (Alexander) Hoopes, who was born 25 day, 7 mo., 1850. Had issue: William Lawrie Stevenson, born 6 day, 10 mo., 1876, married February 22, 1900, Nellie Wetherbee, daughter of Frederick Paul and Mary Emma (Rowand) Pfeiffer.

CCXLV. Eleazer Fenton Stevenson, born 27 day, 8 mo., 1828, died 17 day, 2 mo., 1832.

SAMUEL STEVENSON.

No. 223. SAMUEL STEVENSON (Samuel W.[5], Augustine[4], William[3], Edward[2], Thomas[1]), son of Samuel Willett Stevenson, was born July 4, 1805, married, March 8, 1827, Mary Ann Bradley; died April 10, 1886. Mary A. Stevenson died in 1858.



WILLIAM CLARK STEVENSON

No. CCXLIV

Samuel Stevenson removed to Philadelphia, and in early life engaged in the mercantile and shipping business, from which he retired in 1847. He took an active part in public affairs, and for many years served as one of the Commissioners for the government of the District of Northern Liberties, before its incorporation into the City of Philadelphia in 1854. After the consolidation, he was three times successively elected a member of the Common Council of that city. He was tendered the position of candidate for mayor, which he declined. Prior to 1838, Samuel Stevenson represented Philadelphia in the Pennsylvania Assembly. In the latter year he was elected to the State Senate, and was a participant in what is known in history as the "Buckshot War," which was a contest for seats in the Legislature, from which he emerged victorious.

Samuel Stevenson was the founder of what is known as the "Beggars School," established in his own District of Northern Liberties, for the education of poor children, which was in fact the pioneer of the public school system of Philadelphia. He was one of the founders of the First Presbyterian Church of Northern Liberties, and continued a member of it until his death.

Samuel and Mary A. Stevenson's children were:

CCXLVI. Christiann Stevenson, born January 3, 1828, married, June 15, 1852, Charles Wright,* of New Jersey (born October 11, 1824), died April 20, 1898. Charles Wright died July 20, 1898. Their children were: Thomas P. Wright; Mary A. Wright; Christiann N. Wright, married Charles Cattell; Walter Stevenson Wright, born March 19, 1862, married Sarah Clark, October 19, 1892. Had issue: Christiann Wright, born August 26, 1894, and Charles Wright, born December 15, 1896.

CCXLVII. Thomas Bradley Stevenson, born September 22, 1829.

CCXLVIII. Emma Lavenia Stevenson, born November 11, 1835.

CCXLIX. Edwin Samuel Stevenson, born February 12, 1837.

CCL. Howard Augustin Stevenson, born January 2, 1842, married February 3, 1870, Rosalie C. Hunter, of Germantown, Pennsylvania.

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* From Prowell's History of Camden County, New Jersey, 1886, p. 661: "Wright's Charcoal Works is the only manufacturing interest in this village," Berlin. "The business was begun about 70 years ago by Thomas Wright, the grandfather of the present proprietor. About 1839, Thomas B. Wright, his son, established the present works on a scale much greater than the old mill, which has been abandoned. After his death in 1847, his son Charles took charge of the business.

Howard Augustin Stevenson entered the army in the Civil War in 1861, and was attached to the Second Regiment, First Brigade of the Pennsylvania Volunteers. On October 31, 1862, he was transferred to the medical department of the U. S. Steamship "State of Georgia," and served until the close of the war. Upon his return to civil life he became a director in the Philadelphia Drug Exchange. Becoming interested in the extension of the street railway system of his native city, he was a director in seven different railway companies and president of two of them.

Howard A. and Rosalie Stevenson's only child was: Augusta Rosalie Stevenson, born November 29, 1870, married January 24, 1896, Rev. Braddin Hamilton, D. D.*

CCLI. Walter Scott Stevenson, born December 15, 1843, married, April 4, 1871, Anna R., daughter of Joseph Campbell, born April 25, 1847.

Walter Scott Stevenson is president of the Thomas, Roberts, Stevenson Company, Stove Founders of Philadelphia. Had issue: Emmilyn Campbell Stevenson, born June 4, 1873, died July 9, 1894; Mary Ann Stevenson, born March 2, 1885.

CCLII. Horace Stevenson, born February 8, 1846.

* Rev. Braddin Hamilton, D. D., born November 20, 1861, is a son of Justice James Hamilton, of Stratford, Ontario, Canada, a cousin of the Duke of Abercorn. He graduated at Trinity College, Cambridge, England, in 1882, and was appointed select preacher at that University. He was one of the founders of Toynbee Hall, East London. Removing to the United States, he was appointed, in 1891, public minister for the Department of Charities, New York City, and is now president of the Episcopal Publication Society.

CHAPTER XI.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

AMY KESTER STEVENSON.

No. 234. AMY KESTER STEVENSON (Joseph[6], Thomas[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), daughter of Joseph and Susannah (Kester) Stevenson, born 12 day, 2 mo., 1799, married, January 31, 1829, Alexander Rea. He was a farmer, and spent most of his life on his farm near Sidney, Hunterdon County, N. J.

Their children were :

A. Mary Hambleton Rea, born January 13, 1825, married, October 9, 1847, George W. Adair, born October 8, 1819, son of James and Rachel (Kilpatrick) Adair. They have resided for many years in Somerville, where he was for a long time engaged in the hardware business.

B. Sarah Kester Rea, born December 18, 1826, died January 7, 1827.

C. Susan Stevenson Rea, born December 8, 1827, married, December 2, 1854, John M. Baldwin, born March 26, 1830, son of Samuel and Maria (Marshall) Baldwin. Had issue : Anetta Baldwin, born September 21, 1855, married Lyman D. Hoffman, December 23, 1875 ; George G. Baldwin, born March 23, 1857, died March 25, 1859 ; Lillian Baldwin, born July 2, 1858, died October 22, 1858 ; Alexander Ellsworth Baldwin, born May 2, 1862, married Emma L. Cole, September — 1884 ; Judson L. Baldwin, born December 11, 1864, married Alice A. Hann (born December 17, 1866), January 1, 1884 ; Bonnell Baldwin, born November 17, 1866, died September 11, 1890 ; Amy R. Baldwin, born May 16, 1870, died September 10, 1890.

D. Cornelia Rea, born November 20, 1834, died November 23, 1834.

E. Joseph Stevenson Rea, born June 19, 1836, married, November 13, 1858, Adelaide Hoff, born November 4, 1837. Had issue: Elma Rea, born March 26, 1860; Samuel Hoff Rea, born August 25, 1862.

F. Emily Chubbuck Rea, born January 17, 1840, married February 1, 1865, Joseph Washington Cain, born May 9, 1837, son of James and Rachel (Hodge) Cain. Had issue: Judson Vanderveer Cain, born July 14, 1870, married June 20, 1900, Susan Drayton (born August 18, 1870), daughter of Henry Waden and Mary Elizabeth (Morrison) Drayton; Emily Amy Cain, born January 15, 1873.

G. Hannah Stevenson Rea, born October 10, 1843, at Quakertown, New Jersey, married September 18, 1866, Rev. Joseph Chandler Buchanan, son of Samuel R. and Elizabeth (Chandler) Buchanan.

Joseph Chandler Buchanan was born at Ringoes, New Jersey, March 27, 1841. Studied at Clinton Academy, graduated at Madison (now Colgate University) in 1866, with the degree of A. B., taking that of A. M. in course three years later. He became pastor of the Scotch Plains Baptist Church, July 1, 1867, and Pemberton, September 1, 1878, where he is now pastor. For nine years he served as Secretary of the New Jersey Baptist State Convention, and for thirty years continuously as a member of the Board. He was also, for a time, a Trustee of South Jersey Institute at Bridgeton, New Jersey, and since 1879, of Peddie Institute, Hightstown, New Jersey. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Bucknell University in 1892. Had issue: Joseph Hervey Buchanan, M.D., born at Scotch Plains, Union County, N. J., January 22, 1871, graduated at Peddie Institute, Class of 1889; Princeton, Class of 1893; Jefferson Medical College, Class of 1896; now a practicing physician at Plainfield, New Jersey. He married, February 17, 1898, Lidie Smalley, daughter of Samuel Smalley and Anna Haines (Davis) Collom, born June 14, 1872, at Pemberton, Burlington County, N. J. Her emigrant ancester came from England in 1773. The emigrant's son, William Collom, was a teacher and editor in Philadelphia. William's son, Rev. Jonathan G. Collom, was a prominent Baptist preacher in New Jersey, and was the father of S. S. Collom. Dr. J. H. Buchanan has one child, Mary Collom Buchanan, born December 27, 1899, at North Plainfield, Somerset County, N. J.

JOHN STEVENSON.

No. 235. JOHN STEVENSON (Joseph[6], John[5], Thomas[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of Joseph and Susan (Kester) Stevenson, was born at Kingwood, May 16, 1801. He married on 12 day, 5 mo., 1824, Hannah, daughter of Gabriel (deceased) and Grace * (Brotherton) Wilson, of Independence Township, Sussex County, N. J.

Gabriel Wilson (Gabriel[3], Samuel[2], Robert[1]) was born October 29, 1752, and died March 10, 1815. Robert[1] and Ann (Hogg?) Wilson came from Scarborough, Yorkshire, to Philadelphia, with William Penn in 1682. Their fourth child, Samuel[2], born May 5, 1681, died December 13, 1761, married about 1705, Esther Overton (?). They had several children, the eighth being Gabriel[3], born July 23, 1725, who married probably in 1749, Elizabeth (born March 10, 1730), daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Lundy.

John Stevenson had a birthright membership in the Society of Friends. The record of that organization at Quakertown † states that on 12 day, 4 mo., 1821, "John Stevenson (son of Joseph), a minor was transferred to Hardwick and Randolph," to which place John had removed a few years previously to live with his uncle John Stevenson, who had no children. Upon the death of his uncle in 1824, he purchased the latter's farm. ‡

John Stevenson died 12 day, 3 mo., 1854. His wife Hannah died 20 day, 3 mo., 1889. Their children were: §

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* Grace Brotherton was the daughter of James and Alice Brotherton. The first of the name (of this branch of the family) in America was Henry. Family tradition is that he was in debt £500, at the time he emigrated to America. The ship was wrecked near Sandy Hook, and he walked barefoot and hatless to Rahway, where he was indentured to a hatter named Shotwell, and learned the trade, afterward marrying his daughter Ann. It is said that Ann paid the debt in England after his death. Their son James, born August 28, 1756, married Alice, daughter of William Schooley. The latter was the son of Samuel Schooley, a descendant of Thomas Schooley, an English Quaker, who came to Burlington, New Jersey, in 1677, from Burlington, England, in the "Flie Boat Martha."—Smith's History of New Jersey, p. 102.)

† "The Kingwood Records," p. 41, Flemington, New Jersey, 1900.

‡ John and Martha Schmuck, deed to John Stevenson, March 27, 1824, for 184 acres of land in Independence Township, Sussex County, on the Pequest River, adjoining lands of Jonathan Lundy, which they purchased of Mary and John Stevenson, executors of John Stevenson, deceased.—Vol. 1, p. 19, Warren County Clerk's Office.

§ The record of the names and dates here given are copied from the family Bible in possession of Mrs. Elmira Stevenson Deats, Flemington, New Jersey.

CCLIII. Joseph Stevenson, born April 7, 1825, in Independence Township, Warren County, N. J.; lived with his parents most of the time until 1849. In 1838 and 1839, he spent two years at Westtown School. In 1849, he moved to Illinois, living there until 1856, when he went to Minnesota, for a year. Leaving there he went to Kansas, crossing the Mississippi River at Dubuque, on the ice, and remained in Kansas twelve years. In April, 1869, he moved to Oil City, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in surveying in the oil region until 1894, when he moved to Pasadena, California, making his home with his brother, Walter R. Stevenson, and spends most of his time on his ranch near Lordsburg.

CCLIV. James Willson Stevenson, born April 30, 1827, in Independence Township, Warren County, N. J., married March 11, 1851, Comfort America Milliken, born December 28, 1829, at Newark, Licking County, Ohio. James W. Stevenson served his town in various official capacities. He was elected Supervisor in 1858, in 1865 and 1876. He was elected School Trustee in 1859, and served twenty years. In 1868 he was appointed Postmaster, and held the office continuously for 32 years. Their children were:

A. Emma Stevenson, born March 9, 1852, at Clear Creek, Putnam County, Ill.

B. John Stevenson, born August 24, 1853, at Bloomsbury, Warren County, N. J., married March 9, 1879, Florence May, daughter of Cyrus and Hannah Jane (Hopple) Garver, born December 25, 1855, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill. Had issue: Grace Edith Stevenson, born September 29, 1881, in Grand Rapids Township, LaSalle County, Ill.; John Roy Stevenson, born January 23, 1887, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill.

C. Edward Burdette Stevenson, born May 2, 1857, in Bruce Township, LaSalle County, Ill.

D. Byron Stevenson, born October 12, 1858, in Bruce Township, LaSalle County, Ill., died October 24, 1888.

E. Ernest Ellsworth Stevenson, born October 18, 1863, in Bruce Township, LaSalle County, Ill., married, February 6, 1889, Manie, daughter of Sidney and Ruth Ann (Bennett) Vail, born January 20, 1866, in Munson Township, Henry County, Ill. Had issue: James Vail Stevenson, born November 12, 1889, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill.; Elmira Comfort Stevenson, born August 10, 1895, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill.

F. William Joseph Stevenson, born May 4, 1873, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill., married, December 28, 1898, Mabel (born April 5, 1879), daughter of Thomas H. and Carrie (Leach) Spencer. She died January 10, 1902.

CCLV. Samuel Stevenson,* born March 17, 1829, at Allamuchy, New Jersey, died August 17, 1882, married, September 21, 1858, at Waverly, Luzerne County, Pa., Emily Amelia (born September 21, 1835, at Abington, Pennsylvania), daughter of Charles and Susannah (Hall) Parker. Their children were :

A. George Edward Stevenson, born March 30, 1860, at Danville, Montour County, Pa., married, September 18, 1884, Mary Emily Miller, born May 13, 1862, at Waverly, Lackawanna County, Pa. Had issue : Joseph Miller Stevenson, born December 17, 1885, at Clark's Green, Pennsylvania ; Helen Stevenson, born July 17, 1888, at Clark's Green, Pennsylvania ; Harold Franklin Stevenson, born October 2, 1889, at Clark's Green, Pennsylvania ; John Samuel Stevenson, born August 5, 1892, at Waverly, Pennsylvania ; Edwin Wilson Stevenson, born October 18, 1894, at Waverly, Pennsylvania ; George William Stevenson, born August 1, 1896, at Waverly, Pennsylvania ; Robert Louis Stevenson, born April 22, 1898, at Waverly, Pennsylvania ; Ruth Stevenson, born October 9, 1899, at Waverly, Pennsylvania.

B. William Alonzo Stevenson, born January 12, 1866, at Latonia, Venango County, Penna., married December 19, 1891, at Waverly, New York, Grace Maria Merriam (born July 1, 1870), at Waverly, Tioga County, N. Y.

The Merriam family is descended from Wm. Merriam, of Hadlowe, Kent, England, whose will at Rochester, England, was written September 8th, and proved November 27, 1635.

He was a clothier and owned lands in Hadlowe, Goodherst, Yalding and Sudely. His three sons, Joseph, George and Robert are all found in Concord, Massachusetts, among the early settlers.

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* The following memorial from a local newspaper expressed the esteem in which Mr. Stevenson was held by his neighbors :

A very large number of persons attended the funeral of Mr. Samuel Stevenson at his late residence, on the "Fruit Farm," in this township, on Sunday last. The remains were interred in the Clark's Green Cemetery. The services were somewhat after the manner of the Society of Friends, in the practice of whose principles Mr. Stevenson had lived, and in the belief of whose doctrine he had both lived and died. There was no sermon, and none was needed. No power of oratory could have deepened the feeling of respect and esteem which twenty years' residence among us had impressed upon the hearts of his neighbors. Possessed of more than ordinary natural ability, he had added to it the culture that comes from study and a wide and varied practical experience. Whatever may have been his acquirements, he did not hesitate to use them for the benefit of his fellow-men. Efforts to promote the efficiency of our schools, to improve the business of agriculture, to facilitate travel on our roads, as well as improvements of a less local character, always enlisted his ready sympathy and active co-operation. Had his physical constitution been commensurate with his mental endowments, he would have occupied an extended sphere of usefulness. The expressions of laborers whom he employed, of those with whom he had larger business relations, and of those with whom he was on terms of social intimacy, all indicate the consciousness of a loss not easily repaired.

This particular branch of the family we find in Litchfield, Connecticut, where Henry Merriam, the grandfather of Grace Stevenson was born in December, 1802. He died in Goshen, New York, in 1892. While a mere lad the family removed to Schaghticoke, New York. He remained there for a time, but settled in early manhood in Goshen, New York, where for over forty years he carried on a prosperous hardware business. Mr. Merriam was highly esteemed in the town and filled many positions of trust. He married in 1833, Ann Eliza Reeve, who was born in Goshen, May 3, 1810, and who still resides there at the advanced age of ninety years.

William Alonzo and Grace Maria Stevenson had issue: Frances Mary Stevenson, born November 3, 1892, at Waverly, Tioga County, N.Y.; William Merriam Stevenson, born April 8, 1895, at Sayre, Bradford County, Pa.; Margaret Stevenson.

CCLVI. Elmira Stevenson, born 12 day, 12 mo., 1830, married at Latonia, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1865, Hiram Deats (John[3], William[2], Adam[1]).

William Deats settled near Flemington, Hunterdon County, N. J. His son, father of Hiram Deats, married Ursula, daughter of Captain Elisha Barton, an officer from Hunterdon, in the Revolutionary War.* Hiram Deats was born April 12, 1810. He began the manufacture of ploughs near Quakertown, about 1831. Gradually enlarging his business, he added other agricultural implements and also the casting of stoves. He removed his establishment to Pittstown in 1859. For half a century he carried on one of the largest and most successful manufacturing enterprises in that county.†

Hiram Deats married (1st), November 10, 1838, Rebecca, daughter of Jonathan Higgins, of Hillsborough, Somerset County.

By his second wife, Elmira Stevenson, he had one child, Hiram Edmund Deats, born May 20, 1870, married, September 27, 1893, Eva Augusta (born August 25, 1870), daughter of James G. Taylor, of Holmdel Township, Monmouth County, N. J. Had issue: Elsie May Deats, born July 31, 1894, died April 4, 1902; Marian Elizabeth Deats, born October 26, 1897; Charles Taylor Deats, born January 12, 1899; Helen Taylor Deats, born July 16, 1900.

CCLVII. Edmund Stevenson, born 19 day, 12 mo., 1833, died 23 day, 9 mo., 1834.

CCLVIII. William Stevenson, born 24 day, 9 mo., 1835, died unmarried March 10, 1894.

* Stryker's "Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War," p. 381.

† Snell's History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties, New Jersey, pp. 441 and 444.

WILLIAM STEVENSON

No. CCLVIII

The following account of his life and death is taken from a newspaper published at Elmira, New York :

William Stevenson, formerly General Superintendent of the Lehigh Valley railway, died at Jacksonville, Florida, Sunday, at midnight. He had been in failing health for upwards of a year and a half and his death was not unexpected. Last summer he visited Europe, and returned home somewhat improved in health, but the gain was not permanent. Mr. Stevenson had resided here for upwards of a quarter of a century, and he was held in the highest esteem both as a railway official and citizen. Mr. Stevenson was born in New Jersey, in September, 1835, and was never married. Mr. Stevenson's early life was spent as a school teacher, having previously received an academic education and instruction in civil engineering. Later he went West and engaged in the latter profession. In 1868 he had charge of the construction of the State Line & Sullivan Railway, and at the same time was also engaged in the construction of the New York, New Haven & Hartford tunnel. After concluding his labors on the Sullivan road, he went to Easton, and took charge of the construction of the Easton and Amboy Division of the Lehigh Valley, which division he left in 1875, to become superintendent of the Geneva, Ithaca & Sayre, with headquarters at Sayre. At the beginning of the year 1881, he became superintendent of the Pennsylvania & New York Canal & Railway Company and four years later managing director of the Southern Central. In 1889, he was appointed general superintendent of the Northern Division of the Lehigh Valley, which position he held until 1892, when failing health compelled him to retire. He was given a long leave of absence, during which he made a tour of the West, and on his return formally resigned his position. He was a director in the Sayre Land Company, the Cayuga Wheel and Foundry Company, of this village, and the director of the Citizens' National Bank, of Towanda. The crowning work of Mr. Stevenson's life was the building of the Lehigh double track extension from Van Ettenville to Buffalo, one of the finest pieces of railroad construction in the United States. It was in the building of this highway that his health gave out, the strain of overwork being too much for a man even of his robust frame. In building the great Lehigh extension he came in close contact in business relations with citizens from Sayre to Buffalo, and not one of them but learned to respect his integrity of purpose, his fairness and his strict fidelity to all promises. He was a man of simple habits, unobtrusive and unassuming, but of great capacity for

work; of untiring energy, keen, shrewd and practical. In every relation of life he brought to those around him, comfort, kindly feeling and happiness. It is perhaps the truest epitaph to his memory to say that he was devoted to every trust, and dies regretted by all who knew him. Mr. Stevenson had resided at the Wilbur House since its opening, where he had an elegant suite of rooms. He was a member of Union Lodge, No. 108, F. & A. M.; Union Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Northern Commandery, No. 16, K. T., and served as Eminent Commander in 1873.

CCLIX. Edward Burroughs Stevenson, born 2 day, 10 mo., 1837, died unmarried 11 day, 5 mo., 1860. He was drowned near La Porte, Pennsylvania, while superintending the floating of a lumber raft.

CCLX. Daniel Webster Stevenson, born February 24, 1840, at Scotch Plains, New Jersey, married, at Ottawa, Illinois, June 19, 1866, Harriet Augusta, daughter of Samuel White and Mary (Marsh) Williams, of Starkey, Yates County, N. Y. Their children were: Walter Stanley Stevenson, born March 7, 1868, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill., married, July 15, 1891, Maggie E. Stevens, and resides in Clark City, Illinois. They legally adopted, September 3, 1895, Zoah Irene Davis, who was born March 14, 1895, at Swansea, Wales, changing her name to Zoah Irene Stevenson; Arthur Leslie Stevenson, born March 27, 1872, in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Ill., married, September 15, 1894, Mabel Comfort Wilson, born June 16, 1875, at Grand Rapids, Illinois; resides in Eureka, Kansas.

CCLXI. Walter Raleigh Stevenson, was born August 4, 1842, at Fall's Mills, near Scotch Plains, N. J., married, May 31, 1866, at Morristown, New Jersey, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of John Doty and Phœbe (Utter) Hunt.*

He lived with his parents until 1855, when he made his home for a time with his uncle James Wilson, at Allamuchy, and attended Westtown school. Beginning in December, 1861, he taught school near Hackettstown, and also at Allamuchy. During the Civil War (May, 1864) he entered the navy. He was on board the "Merrimac," an old ship, until October 12, 1864, when he was discharged at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Navy Yard for physical disability. In 1864, he moved to Oil City, Pennsylvania, and opened an office as Civil Engineer in partnership with his brother Samuel. He was appointed City Engineer in 1871, and held that office seven years. In 1879 and 1880, he went to Colorado, prospecting and mining. In December of the

* John D. Hunt was son of William and Phœbe (Doty) Hunt, and was born near Vernon, Sussex County, N. J. The family lived in Sussex and Morris Counties. Phœbe Utter was the daughter of William and Mary (Oakley) Utter.

latter year, he entered the service of the Pittsburg, Titusville and Buffalo Railroad (now the Western New York and Pennsylvania Railroad), and became Division Engineer in May, 1884. In 1894, he resigned and removed to Pasadena, California, settling there, and opening an office in partnership with his brother, Joseph, engaging again in the practice of his profession.

His children were : Harriet Amelia Stevenson, born October 7, 1871 ; Florence Josephine Stevenson, born December 30, 1873.

SAMUEL KESTER STEVENSON.

No. 236. SAMUEL KESTER STEVENSON (Joseph[6], John[5], Thomas[4], John[3], Thomas[2], Thomas[1]), son of Joseph and Susannah (Kester) Stevenson, was born November 24, 1803, died February 7, 1876, at Ottawa, Illinois, married, October 4, 1831, at Lebanon, New Jersey, Alice Dawes, born July 18, 1809, at Lebanon, New Jersey, daughter of John and Catharine Dawes, died February 16, 1898, at Allen, Kansas.

Their children were :

CCLXII. George Stevenson, born August 26, 1832, at Lebanon, New Jersey, died November 19, 1873, at Morris, Illinois, married, March 8, 1866, Carrie Moore, at Utica, Illinois.

CCLXIII. Caroline Stevenson, born June 16, 1834, at Scotch Plains, New Jersey, married, August 4, 1850, George Napoleon Young, at Ottawa, Illinois. Their children were :

A. Austin S. Young, born December 12, 1854, at Marseilles, Illinois, married, February 7, 1878, in Gundy County, Illinois, Ella A. DeLong, born August 14, 1855. Had issue : Maud Ethel Young, born August 29, 1880.

B. Albert Edgar Young, born November 15, 1857, at Marseilles, Illinois, married, February 19, 1880, Cassie Riggs, born September 9, 1858. Had issue : Lottie Edna Young, born February 4, 1884.

C. Frank E. Young, born March 2, 1864, at LaSalle, Illinois, married March 19, 1893, in Lyon County, Kansas, Josephine Ayres, born April 16, 1870.

D. Warner Young, born February 6, 1866, married, October 2, 1887, in Lyon County, Kansas, Pearl Whittredge, born September 18, 1864. Had issue : George L. Young, born October 28, 1894.

E. Alice Stevenson Young.

CCLXIV. Eliza McPherson Stevenson, born May 16, 1836, at Scotch Plains, New Jersey, married, May 31, 1857, George Albion True, died July 22, 1898. Their children were:

A. Angeline True, born March 4, 1858, married, November, 1886, Eugene Hartshorn, at Waltham. Had issue: True Hartshorn, born January 23, 1892, at Lordsburg, California.

B. William Stevenson True, born September 18, 1868, married, January 15, 1895, Mrs. Edith Smith Overnaire, at Los Angeles, California.

CCLXV. John Dawes Stevenson, born January 16, 1839, at Scotch Plains, New Jersey, died June 8, 1870, at Utica, Illinois, married, October 20, 1864, at Malugens Grove, Lee County, Illinois, Marinda Dorn.

CCLXVI. Elma Stevenson, born December 9, 1841, at Scotch Plains, married, January 16, 1867, Isaac Preble Schooley, at Utica, Illinois.

APPENDIX.

EDWARD STEVENSON.

I. EDWARD STEVENSON was one of the early settlers in Newtown, Long Island. He was a near relative of Thomas Stevenson of the same place, and was deceased by 1662, as on July 10th of that year the "widow of Edward Stevenson" signed the agreement made by the citizens of Newtown, to pay rent to the Dutch Director-General. Her name was Ann (or Anne), and at some time between the before-mentioned date and 1670, she married William Graves. Ann Graves' will* is dated at Newtown, December 31, 1670. In it she bequeaths to her "daughter, Elizabeth Everitt, a feather bed, a warming pan, an iron plate, a fire shovel, a pair of tongs and a trunk." All the rest of her estate she leaves to "my two daughters, Elizabeth Everitt and Abigail Denton, and my clothes that were *prized* by Mr. John Coe and Mr. Jonathan Fish;" to her *cousin*, Thomas Stevenson, she leaves her Bible. William Graves, his son, John, and daughter, Hannah, were all dead in 1679.

Edward and Ann Stevenson's children were:

II. JONATHAN STEVENSON, first appears in Burlington County, New Jersey, and marries Mary Allen, July 16, 1684, in open court, before Justices Robert Stacy and William Clarke. He had on the same day signed the bond of Mary Allen for £100, administratrix of the estate of her late husband, Thomas Allen. Jonathan Stevenson was made joint administrator with her. Thomas Allen had conveyed to him on September 8, 1682, "thirty acres in the townfield, for his house, at the mouth of the Assiscunk Creek," in Burlington County, now Bordentown, New Jersey.

In 1686, Jonathan Stevenson was one of the grantees in Newtown, Long Island, for a new charter of that town. From here he removed to Norwalk, Connecticut, where it is recorded

*New York Historical Collections, 1892, p. 467.

that he served in the Colonial Wars. He died in November, 1689. His widow, Mary, afterwards married John Bouton. Jonathan and Mary Stevenson had one son, Jonathan Stevenson, to whom Major Daniel Whitehead, in 1703, left this bequest: "I give and bequeath unto Jonathan Stevenson, the son of Jonathan Stevenson, late of Norwalk, in the colony of Connecticut, Deceased, the sum of twenty pounds, to be paid to him, his heirs or assigns within two years after my Decease."

III. ELIZABETH STEVENSON, married John Everitt, of Jamaica, Long Island, whose will is dated November 24, 1689, and was probated May 21, 1691. In it he names his wife and children:

A. John Everitt, married Sarah ——, died in 1729. Had issue: Sarah Everitt, married Daniel (born 1704), son of Samuel Denton; Mary Everitt; Elizabeth Everitt; Daniel Everitt, of Goshen, New York.

B. Thomas Everitt, married Bathsheba, daughter of James and Sarah (Cornell) Sands. Had issue: James Everitt, baptized January 24, 1723.

C. Jonathan Everitt.

D. Elizabeth Everitt.

IV. ABIGAIL STEVENSON, born about 1640, married (1st) Daniel Denton, of Jamaica, Long Island, about 1660; (2d) Major Daniel Whitehead in 1672. She was buried at Jamaica, October 15, 1715. The children by her first husband were: Daniel and Abigail Denton.

The children by her second husband were:

A. Jonathan Whitehead, born 1672, married (license July 23, 1697) Sarah, daughter of Robert and Susanna Field, of Newtown, died in 1739. Had issue: Daniel, Abigail, Charity, Thomas, Benjamin, Sarah, Deborah and Susannah Whitehead.

B. Thomas Whitehead, married Jane Creed, December 24, 1703. Had issue: Thomas, Daniel and Abigail Whitehead.

C. Elizabeth Whitehead, married Anthony Waters, Junior, son of Anthony and Rachael Waters. Had issue: Daniel Waters, born in 1694; Anthony Whitehead Waters; Benjamin Waters; Elizabeth Waters; Abigail Waters.*

* A brief sketch of the children of Anthony and Elizabeth Waters, is given in a foot note on page 13. Abigail Waters is not mentioned in it; but, in a recently found will of Anthony Waters, made in 1719, he bequeaths all his land at New Brittain, New Jersey, to his daughters Elizabeth and Abigail. This land (315 a.) bought May 1, 1707, of Nathan Allen, executor of Experience Field, executrix of Benjamin Field, adjoined the lands of William Stevenson and Benjamin Field, in Amwell, Hunterdon County.—*Liber* BB., p. 255, Trenton, New Jersey.

D. Deborah Whitehead, married Capt. Thomas Hicks, Junior. Had issue: Thomas, Augustin, Whitehead, Stevenson, Abigail, Deborah, Mary, Elizabeth, Hannah and Martha Hicks.

E. Amy Whitehead, born 17 day, 6 mo., 1679, married Jacob Doughty, Had issue: Jacob, Abigail, first and second; Mary, Sarah, Amy, Daniel, Deborah, first and second; Elizabeth, Esther, Ann, first and second; Hannah.

F. Mary Whitehead, married (1st) John Taylor, of Oyster Bay; (2d) Thomas Burroughs; (3d) Rev. William Urquhart, the English church missionary to Jamaica, Long Island, from 1704 to 1709. By her first husband, Mary Whitehead had a daughter, Abigail Taylor, born 1695, married in 1714, Rev. Benjamin Woolsey (grandson of George Woolsey, of Yarmouth, England), who lived at Dosoris, Long Island, a homestead that John Taylor had bought of Major Daniel Whitehead. Abigail Woolsey died March 29, 1771. By her second husband Mary Whitehead had a daughter, Mary Burroughs, mentioned in Major Daniel Whitehead's will.

G. Mercy Whitehead married (1st) Thomas Betts; (2d) Joseph Sackett.

DANIEL DENTON. *

II. Daniel Denton, † son of Rev. Richard Denton[1], of Jamaica, Long Island, was born in Yorkshire, England, about 1628. He settled on Long Island, and was Town Clerk of Hempstead in 1650. Upon the organization of the town of Jamaica, he became its first clerk in 1656, and was re-elected in 1657 and 1661. The next year he was appointed one of its magistrates. He was one of the company that secured a deed, October 28, 1664, for the land at and about Elizabethtown, New Jersey, known as the "Elizabethtown Grant," or patent. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace by Governor Nichols, March 16, 1665, and again in 1666. After this Daniel Denton disappears from Long Island, and it is said revisited England, where, in 1670, a book of his was published giving a "brief description of New York." A sketch of Denton's "New York" was printed in the *New York Times* of July 19, 1900.

* From MSS. possessed by W. B. Denton, Detroit, Michigan.

† Daniel Denton was one of the administrators to the estate of Thomas Stevenson, first (emigrant), and a guardian of his children.

It says: "A second perfect copy of this book previously unknown to bibliographers came to light at the sale of Lord Ashburton's library, in November, 1900. Mr. Brayton Ives paid $525 for this copy. When Ives' collection was sold, in March, this same copy resold for $615. A copy of this book is in possession of Columbia University library."

Upon his return to America, Daniel Denton settled in Piscataway, in East Jersey, where he was appointed a Magistrate August 25, 1673. The next year he sold out his landed interest at Piscataway and removed to Springfield, Massachusetts. Here he taught school and was for a time Town Recorder. At a town meeting held in Jamaica, Long Island, on June 12, 1684, it was ordered that "Daniel Denton shall have liberty to come and settle himself and family in Jamaica." Here he was once more selected Town Clerk. On December 20, 1689, he was commissioned as County Clerk of Queen's County, Long Island. He died about 1703.

Daniel Denton married (1st) about 1660, Abigail, daughter of Edward and Ann Stevenson, of Newtown, from whom he became legally separated in 1672. He married (2d) on April 24, 1676, at Springfield, Massachusetts, Hannah, daughter of John and Sarah (Heath) Leonard, born December 29, 1659.

His children by his first wife were:

III. Daniel.
IV. Abigail.

His children by his second wife were:

V. Hannah, born August 5, 1677.
VI. Samuel, born September 29, 1679.
VII. Sarah, born November, 1681.

DANIEL DENTON.

No. 3. DANIEL DENTON (Daniel[2], Richard[1]), son of Daniel and Abigail Denton was born about 1661. He was baptized in the Dutch Reformed Church, Brooklyn, on December 14, 1679. He accompanied his father to Springfield, Massachusetts, where he was "presented to the grand jury in 1681, for running away to Rhode Island, and marrying without

the consent of his parents." His wife was named Deborah. He died about 1690, soon after which his widow married Gabriel Luffe.

Major Daniel Whitehead in his will in 1703, leaves this family the following bequests: "Item. My will and desire is that and I do hereby, give and bequeath the thirty pounds which is still due me from the estate of my son-in-law Daniel Denton, Deceased, unto the children of Daniel Denton afores'd and Gabriel Loffe begotten upon the body of Deborah Loffe the present wife of the s'd Gabriel Loffe, vizt: to Daniel Denton, son of Daniel Denton, Deceased, six pounds; to Abigail Denton and to Deborah Denton, the daughters of the Daniel Denton afores'd twelve pounds, to each six pounds; to Gabriel Loffe the son, and to Amy Loffe, the daughter of the s'd Gabriel Loffe twelve pounds, to each of them six pounds, to be and Remain to them and every of them, their and every of their heirs and assigns forever."

Daniel and Deborah Denton's children were:

VIII. Daniel Denton, born about 1685, married Hannah, daughter of Benjamin and Martha (Titus) Seaman of Jerusalem, Long Island. He lived on Long Island, where he was deceased by 1753, as on July 14th of that year his widow married Thomas Temple of Hempstead. Daniel and Hannah Denton had issue:

A. Hannah Denton, married April 20, 1731, Joseph Hubbs, and died at Rye, Westchester County, New York, in 1791.

B. John Denton, baptized at Jamaica, August 12, 1719, married Deborah ——, died in 1775, at Hempstead, leaving children: Elizabeth, baptized* May 5, 1745; John, baptized* July 13, 1749; Hannah.

C. Joseph Denton, baptized* March 5, 1726, married March 26, 1744, Mary, daughter of Solomon and Mary (Mott) Seaman. Had issue: Daniel Denton, who married two wives, named respectively Hannah and Margaret, died in 1825; Phœbe Denton, married James Harper, leaving children, Joseph and John Harper; David Denton, baptized January 21, 1775, married in Adams County, Pennsylvania, Jane McEwen, August 20, 1782, and served in the Virginia Line, in the Revolutionary War; Joseph Denton, baptized* January 21, 1755, died in Newtown, Long Island, in 1807; Hannah Denton married, at Hempstead, February 27, 1783, Benjamin, son of Solomon and Hannah Seaman, leaving

* Baptized at Hempstead.

children, Mary, Rhoda Jane and Cornelia Seaman; Seaman Denton, married Berthia Starkins, in 1786, served in Oliver Delancey's Brigade in the Revolutionary War, leaving children, George, Ann, Mary and Phœbe Denton; George Denton; Abel Denton.

D. Daniel Denton married, November 6, 1744, at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, Lydia Sisson, of Newport. He died in a few years, and his widow married George Brown, December 5, 1753. Daniel was taken prisoner by the Spaniards and for a time confined in Havana.

E. Isaac Denton, lived in Hempstead, married Charity ——, died in 1783. Had issue: Isaac Denton, born July 5, 1747, married Susannah Pearsall; he was elected a member of the New York Assembly from Queen's County in 1799, died October 29, 1822; James Denton, born January 19, 1750, unmarried; Ann Denton, born August 16, 1752, unmarried; Mary Denton, born May 30, 1755, married Abner Van Namee, died June 17, 1833; Benjamin Denton, born July 11, 1758, married two wives, respectively, Ann and Deborah, died October 26, 1837; Charity Denton, born 1763, married, June 25, 1781, Thomas Pearsall, died October 14, 1805.

F. Anne Denton, baptized at Hempstead, Long Island, December 28, 1729.

IX. Abigail Denton.

X. Deborah Denton.

ABIGAIL DENTON.

No. 4. Abigail Denton (Daniel[2], Richard[1]), daughter of Daniel and Abigail Denton, born about 1663, married, October 9, 1682, Benjamin (born April 11, 1658), son of Lieutenant Thomas and Hannah Stebbins, of Springfield, Massachusetts. Benjamin Stebbins died October 12, 1698. Abigail Stebbins died August 24, 1689.

Their children were:

A. Abigail Stebbins, born August 13, 1683, married, February 1, 1699-1700, Lieut. Jonathan Ashley, born June 21, 1678, in Westfield, Massachusetts, who died September 18, 1749. His widow died April 16, 1752. Had issue: Abigail Ashley, born August 5, 1701, died, unmarried, July 21, 1742; Azariah Ashley, born August 13, 1704; Mercy Ashley, born April 8, 1707, married Adijah Dewey, Jr., January 11, 1732;

Lydia Ashley, born June 28, 1710, married Josiah Pomeroy, November 9, 1731; Jonathan Ashley, born November 11, 1712; Ebenezer Ashley, born March 29, 1717; Phineas Ashley, born January 15, 1729-30; Benjamin Ashley, born February 9, 1714-15.

B. Mercy Stebbins, born October 29, 1685, married, December 17, 1703, Capt. Ebenezer Parsons, born December 11, 1675, died July 1, 1744. His widow died November 1, 1753, at Northampton, Massachusetts.

Major Daniel Whitehead in his will makes this bequest: "I give and bequeath to Abigail Stebbins and Mercy Stebbins, the daughters of Benjamin and Abigail Stebbins, my Son and Daughter-in-law, twelve pounds, to each of them six pounds, to be paid to them, their heirs and assigns within a year and a day after my decease."

SAMUEL DENTON.

No. 7. SAMUEL DENTON (Daniel[2], Richard[1]), born September 9, 1679, at Springfield, Massachusetts, married about 1703, a daughter of Jonas and Deborah Wood, of Jamaica, Long Island, and died in 1721. He had but one son:

XI. Daniel Denton, born about 1704, married (1725), Sarah, daughter of John and Sarah Everitt, of Jamaica. She was a grand-daughter of Edward and Ann Stevenson, of Newtown, and a niece of Abigail (Stevenson) Whitehead. On June 7, 1726, "John Everitt, of Jamaica, Queen's County, L. I., Gent," conveys to Daniel Denton, of the same place, "his son-in-law," land in Goshen, New York. Daniel Denton, was Judge of the Orange County, N. Y., Court, in 1749. Their children were:

A. Lieut. Samuel Denton, born in Jamaica, married Phœbe ——, died at Newburg, New York. He commanded a company in the French and Indian war. Had issue: Sarah and Abigail Denton.

B. Daniel Denton. He was an Ensign in the French and Indian war, and Judge of Court of Common Pleas from 1751 to 1759. His will is dated September 5, 1762, and was probated January 10, 1785. He seems to have left no children.

C. Joseph Denton, an officer in the French and Indian war.

D. Lieut. Gilbert Denton, married (1756) Elizabeth, daughter of Nehemiah and Deborah Denton, of Jamaica. He removed to Wyoming, Pennsylvania, where, after a residence of five years, he was killed in the Indian massacre, July 3, 1778. Had issue: Daniel Denton, born at Newburgh, New York, August 9, 1757, married, June 8, 1783, Martha Bidlack (born March 24, 1764). He served in the Revolutionary War, and died March 30, 1826, leaving children: Johannah, born June 2, 1784; Gilbert, born August 6, 1785, died September 27, 1785; Daniel, born March 27, 1787; Nehemiah, born April 23, 1789; Gilbert, born April 23, 1791, died February 15, 1793; Frances, born April 29, 1793; Elizabeth, born October 14, 1795, died August 29, 1830; Shubael B., born January 26, 1798; Thomas, born June 5, 1800; Samuel, born July 2, 1803; Deborah, born February 1, 1806.

E. Lieut. John Denton, married, May 6, 1758, Mary Leonard; after his decease she married, November 23, 1772, Samuel Falls, of Ulster County, New York. John Denton served in the French and Indian War, and was a Justice of the Peace of Orange County. Had issue: Joseph Denton, born March 27, 1759, married (1783) Hannah Yelverton, died August 8, 1832; John Denton, married (1st) March 13, 1791, Catharine Humphrey, (2d) Mary Board, died July 20, 1826, leaving children: Daniel, Humphrey, Sarah (born March 11, 1794) and Catharine Denton.

F. James Denton, married (license dated October 14, 1760) Mary Holmes. Had issue: Sarah Denton; Abigail Denton, married October 23, 1786, Nathaniel Bailey, of Goshen, New York, died August 29, 1841; John Denton, married February 13, 1796, Bathsheba Hathaway, died May, 1805. His widow married (2d) Thomas North. John Denton left children: James, born February, 1797; Josiah H., born May 29, 1799; Joseph, born September 24, 1801; Sarah, born November 15, 1803.

G. Jonas Denton, married, November 1, 1765, Eleanor, daughter of Michael Jackson, of Orange County, New York, paymaster in the Continental Army, died in 1786. Had issue: Hannah Denton, married, April 13, 1786, Erastus Porter, of Coventry, Connecticut; Daniel Denton, born August 28, 1768, married (1st) January 4, 1815, Phœbe Carpenter, (2d) Jerusha Woodhull, on December 6, 1823. He died October 17, 1834, leaving one child, Thomas Carpenter, born May 8, 1817, who died October 21, 1846, unmarried; Michael Denton, born April 27, 1772, married Catharine Moffat, died September 9, 1824, leaving children, Susan M., born July 14, 1804, Eleanor, born January 26, 1806, Jonas M.,

born August 1, 1807, Thomas M., born March 9, 1809, Hannah P., born July 11, 1810, Benjamin J., born November 4, 1812, Elizabeth T., born March 31, 1814, Mary Ann, born November 23, 1815, Edward M., born July 27, 1817, Hezekiah M., born January 19, 1819, Catharine, born July 6, 1820, Daniel G., born May 27, 1822; Jonas Denton, born July 4, 1755, married Dorcas Fowler, died April 4, 1844, leaving children, Daniel, Eliza, Ellen, Hannah and Margaret Denton.

H. Thomas Denton, born December 27, 1742, married (1st) Phœbe Hall, October 26, 1767, (2d) Elizabeth, daughter of Jonathan Griggs, of Ulster County, New York, on November 15, 1780, died at Newburgh, May 18, 1813. Had issue: Sarah Denton, born August 13, 1768, married Dr. James Bradner, of Chester, New York, died January 13, 1816; Samuel Denton, born December 15, 1769, married Anna Sayre (widow Horton), leaving children, Charlotte H., born June 4, 1807, Dewitt, born November 11, 1808, Phœbe, born February 11, 1811, Sarah, born June 20, 1813, Thomas, born June 2, 1815, Nancy T., born April 9, 1818, Samuel Harvey, born March 9, 1820, John, born December 23, 1826; Thomas Denton, born November 15, 1770, married Esther Marvin, died May 7, 1810, leaving children, Sally S., who married Nathaniel Howell Gale, and Susan who married Capt. Daniel Everitt Brown; John Denton, born September 27, 1774, died young; Abigail Denton, born October 20, 1776; Martha Denton, born February 22, 1781, married John Bloomer, died March 17, 1852; Kate Denton, born July 22, 1782; Phœbe Denton, born January 16, 1784, married William Vail; Margaret Denton, born January 9, 1786, married Benjamin Innis, August 4, 1808, died December 10, 1866; Elizabeth Denton, born October 19, 1788, married John Wallace: Mary Denton, born April 13, 1790, married, November 5, 1812, John Cosman, died February 25, 1855; James Denton, born August 31, 1795, married Almaria Baird, died June 26, 1862, leaving children, Thomas B., born November 9, 1826, Mary C., born April 26, 1830, Phœbe J., born March 16, 1834.

I. Sarah Denton, married Thomas Wickham, September 7, 1767.

THE STEVENSONS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Entirely disconnected from the families of Thomas and Edward Stevenson were several of the name who appeared in the early settlement of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. Fourteen years after the founding of the above-named city, a Robert Stevenson made a will there (1695), and in 1710, an Alan Stevenson also made a will. Both are lost, and neither of them were recorded.

In the same city, which seems to have been a favorite place of settlement for persons of this name, a Timothy Stevenson, whitesmith, died and left a will dated June 6, 1733, and probated September 10th the same year. In it are the following names: wife Rachael; sister Ann Jackson; children John, Thomas, William, James, Joseph, Ann Rush and Elizabeth Carey. Between this date and the Revolution we find additional names such as Adam, George, Martin and Clotworthy Stevenson. Some of these emigrated from Scotland and the north of Ireland, as is shown by documents left behind them.

York County, Pennsylvania, was set off from Lancaster County in 1749, having been largely settled by the Scotch-Irish. Among the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the new county who assembled that year, was George Stevenson.

The next section of Lancaster County set off was Cumberland County, erected in 1750. Here appears:

JOSEPH STEVENSON.*

I. JOSEPH STEVENSON bought of Joseph Mitchell a tract of land which was officially surveyed and entered to the former, September 2, 1767, in what is now Upper Strasburg Township, Franklin County, Penna. The site was known as "Stevenson's Delight." Joseph Stevenson had lived here for some years previous. The settlers in this section were harassed by the Indians. The Pennsylvania Archives (p. 220, first series) give an account of the disastrous result of one attack of the savages. It says: "A list of those killed,

* From MSS. in possession of William P. Stevenson, Roselle, Union County, N. J.

captivated at Joseph Steenson's (Stevenson) Field, about ten miles from Shippensburg, on July 20, 1757." "Killed Joseph Mitchel, James Mitchell, William Mitchell, John Finley, Robert Steenson (Stevenson), Andrew Enslow, John Wiley, Allen Henderson, William Gibson."

Joseph Stevenson's wife was named Margaret. A deed signed by them shows that they were living in 1789. Both are buried in the church-yard at Rocky Spring. Their only known children were:

II. Robert Stevenson, killed by the Indians, July 20, 1757.
III. John Stevenson.

No. 3. JOHN STEVENSON was born in 1729. He married (1st) —— Mitchell, (2d) Jean McCombs, died at the age of ninety and was buried in Cross Creek Cemetery. John Stevenson removed from Cumberland to Washington County, in 1781, and settled on 392 acres of land in Somerset Township, which he bought of Philip Whitten.

The children of John Stevenson by his first wife were:

IV. Joseph.
V. George.

By second wife, Jean McCombs:

VI. Robert.
VII. John.
VIII. James, died unmarried and is buried in "Pigeon Creek" Cemetery.
IX. Mary, married (1st) Joseph Nelson, and had sons James and John Nelson; (2d) Rev. John McPherrin, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, at Butler, Pennsylvania. Their children were: Jane McPherrin, married Hon. Walter Lowrie, Secretary of the Foreign Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, whose two sons, Rev. Walter M. Lowrie and Rev. Reuben Post Lowrie, were missionaries to China; William McPherrin; Clark McPherrin and Ebenezer McPherrin.
X. Margaret, married John Cratty, of Bellevue, Ohio, and had one son, John Stevenson Cratty, and one daughter.
XI. Elizabeth, maried John,* son of John and Mary (McCowan) Stevenson, of Somerset County, born in 1771, died in March, 1852. Their children were: Rev. James Edgar, Joseph, Jane, John, Maria, Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, Emily and Francis Stevenson.

* This John Stevenson was not related to his wife's family.

XII. Jane, married John Graham. Their children were: Henry, Robert, John, Mary, Jane. Rev. Ebenezer S., Margery, Elizabeth, Joseph, Thomas S., and Ann Graham.

XIII. Anne, married Col. John Vance, and died at the age of 96. Their children were: Jane, David, John, Anne, Joseph and Julia A. Vance.

No. 4. Joseph Stevenson (John[2], Joseph[1]), married Mary Espey, died subsequent to 1802, and is buried in Chartier's Cemetery, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Joseph Stevenson served in the Revolutionary War, and was engaged in the battle of Trenton. On July 31, 1777, he was appointed First Lieutenant of the 8th Company of the 6th Battalion, Cumberland County Associators. On March 18, 1779, his grandfather, Joseph Stevenson, executed to him a deed for the homestead tract, formerly mentioned as in Franklin County. He removed, in 1802, to Washington County, and from there to Canonsburg.

Joseph and Mary Stevenson's children were:

XIV. John Mitchell.

XV. Joseph, removed to Ohio.

XVI. Maria, married Samuel McKee, and lived in Wheeling, West Virginia. Her children were: Sarah, Mary, Lydia, Marianne and Ann Elizabeth McKee.

XVII. Marianne, married (1st) Frederick Rohrer; (2d) Joseph H. Dawson. Her children were: John Wise, George Stevenson, Marianne, Mary Ellen, Elizabeth and Emily Rohrer. By her second husband she had one child, Josephine Dawson, who died unmarried.

XVIII. Josiah Espey, married Mary Espey. He was a physician, and lived in Kittanning, Pennsylvania. Had issue: Josiah E., Mary E., Narcissa and Leonora Stevenson.

XIX. George, graduated at Dickinson College, and died aged 24.

XX. Margaret.

No. 5. George Stevenson (John[2], Joseph[1]), married Catharine McCombs. He served in the Revolutionary War; was taken prisoner by the Indians and carried into Canada, where he was kept a prisoner for more than three years, finally being exchanged. The family removed to Knox County, Ohio. Their children were: John, George and Martha Stevenson.

No. 6. Robert Stevenson (John[2], Joseph[1]), married Mary Teeters. He served in Captain McConnell's company in the Revolutionary War. He commanded a company

in the War of 1812, and assisted in building "Fort Stevenson," near Sandusky, Ohio, which was named in his honor. He removed from Washington County, Pennsylvania, to Salem, Columbiana County, Ohio, where he was elected a member of the Legislature. His only known son was Robert Stevenson.

No. 7. JOHN STEVENSON (John[2], Joseph[1]), married Mary McCombs, died June 13, 1847. He served in Captain McConnell's company in the Revolutionary War. He lived in Washington County. John and Mary Stevenson's children were: John, Margaret, Jean and Malcolm Stevenson, who all died unmarried; and a daughter, Mary, who married Robert Marques, and had issue: Rev. S. Marques (pastor of Pigeon Creek Church), and Robert Marques, of Missouri.

No. 14. JOHN MITCHELL STEVENSON (Joseph[3], John[2], Joseph[1]), was born near Strasbourg, Letterkenny Township, Franklin County, Penna., March 10, 1788, married Nancy, daughter of Alexander Russell, of Gettysburg, September 5, 1815, died in Baltimore, June 8, 1870. His widow, Nancy, died June 15, 1873. Both are buried in Greenmount Cemetery. He was educated at Jefferson College, and engaged in mercantile pursuits at Gettysburg and other localities in that vicinity. In 1854 he removed to Baltimore, and with his sons embarked in the grain commission business. He was a member and officer of the Presbyterian Church.

John Mitchell and Nancy Stevenson's children were:

XXI. Alexander Russell.
XXII. John McPherson.
XXIII. William Henry.

No. 21. ALEXANDER RUSSELL STEVENSON (John M.[4], Joseph[3], John[2], Joseph[1]) was born October, 1816, married, in 1842, Margaret Slagle, daughter of Jacob Winrott, of Gettysburg. He graduated at Pennsylvania College in the latter city and entered the legal profession. He died in 1852, and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Gettysburg.

Their children were:

XXIV. William Ranson, died young.
XXV. George Espey, of Baltimore, born April 8, 1847, married, May 29, 1869, Mary Brewsell, daughter of John Jacob and Mary Elizabeth Snyder. Had issue: Lillie Hays Stevenson, born

April 5, 1870, died young; Margarett Winrott Stevenson, born July 9, 1871; John Jacob Snyder Stevenson, born November 25, 1872, died young; George Espey Stevenson, born August 28, 1876, died young; David Hays Stevenson, born January 22, 1878; Mary Elizabeth Stevenson, born November 18, 1881; Amy Russell Stevenson born June 5, 1884.

No. 22. JOHN MCPHERSON STEVENSON (John M.[4], Joseph[3], John[2], Joseph[1]) was born near Bedford, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1818, married, May 9, 1854, Margaretta Eliza, daughter of Col. James Dunlop Paxton, of Gettysburg.

John McPherson Stevenson was educated in Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg. He engaged in mercantile business, and was a director in various corporations. During the Civil War he was compelled, temporarily, to leave Baltimore, his then residence, because of his Union sentiments. He was a member and officer of the Presbyterian Church.

John McPherson and Margaretta E. Stevenson's children were:

XXVI. William Paxton Stevenson, born in Baltimore, February 24, 1855, married, September 29, 1881, Marianne Witherspoon, daughter of Hon. D. W. Woods, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, and grand-daughter of Rev. John Witherspoon, the "Signer." He graduated from Princeton College in 1876, and became interested in several corporations. He resides at Roselle, Union County, N. J. Had issue: Walker Woods Stevenson and Margaretta Paxton Stevenson.

XXVII. Alexander Russell Stevenson (Rev.) was born in Baltimore, December 29, 1856, married, April 11, 1882, Mary M., daughter of Thomas B. and Ariane (Stuart Riddle) Kennedy, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Princeton College in 1876, and later from the Union Theological Seminary of New York and Princeton Seminary, and was admitted to the ministry of the Presbyterian Church. Had issue: Thomas Kennedy Stevenson, born November 10, 1883, and Caroline Paxton Stevenson, born March 5, 1888.

XXVIII. James Dunlop Paxton Stevenson.

No. 23. WILLIAM HENRY STEVENSON (John M.[4], Joseph[3], John[2], Joseph[1]) was born in Gettysburg, June 27, 1829, married (1st) March, 1856, Annie Throckmorton, daughter of Col. Thomas Russell, of Booneville, Missouri; (2d) in 1866, Fanny Madison, daughter of William B. Willis, of West Virginia. He was educated at Pennsylvania College,

Gettysburg, and was admitted to the bar in 1851. Afterwards he engaged in mercantile business in Baltimore. Had issue: by first wife, John Russell and Bessie Stevenson, who both died young; by second wife, Mary Elanor, Anne Berkely, Fanny Beale, John Willis and William Henry Stevenson, Junior. The two last died young.

STEVENSONS IN MARYLAND, AND IN SALEM, NEW YORK.

A little history of "Old Kent," Maryland, is the authority that William Stevenson, of Chestertown, in that colony, son of William Stevenson, of Lancashire, England, married in 1738, Francina Augustine Frisby.

Their son, Rev. James Stevenson, who married Frances Littlepage, was the Rector of Berkeley Parish, Spottsylvania County, Va., from 1768 to 1780. From this family are descended the Stevensons of Eastern Virginia and Kentucky.

A history (1896), styled "The Salem Book," gives a sketch of a small colony of Scotch-Irish, who fled from religious persecution and settled at Salem, New York, in 1764. In it is the family genealogy of James Stevenson, who was born about 1747, on the bank of the Bonnie Doon, in Ayrshire, Scotland, and married Margaret, a daughter of David Brown, of Stewarton, Scotland, "He embarked at Greenoch, April 20, 1774, in the brig *Commerce*." James Stevenson enlisted in Capt. Alexander McNitt's company for service in the Revolutionary War. He died April 19, 1790.

ANN STEVENSON FIELD.*

Ann Stevenson Field, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Stevenson) Field, was born 21 day, 8 mo., 1730. She "passed meeting" at Middletown, Bucks County, Penna., in 1750, to marry John Brown.

* Appendix to No. 21, of Thomas Stevenson and his descendants, from MSS. in possession of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Balderston, Philadelphia.

Their children were :

I. Samuel Brown, born 1 day, 11 mo., 1751, married Abigail White, in 1773.

II. John Brown, Junior, born 19 day, 2 mo., 1753, married Martha Harvey, 13 day, 11 mo., 1777, died 17 day, 12 mo., 1821. Their children were :

A. Ann Brown, born 10 day, 7 mo., 1778, married Mark Balderston, died 25 day, 8 mo., 1802.

B. David Brown, born 27 day, 8 mo., 1780, married Sarah Williams, in 1806, died 12 day, 4 mo., 1860. Their children were : George Williams Brown, born 12 day, 3 mo., 1811, married, 10 day, 5 mo., 1836, Anna Eliza Brown (born 3 day, 3 mo., 1809), died 4 day, 10 day, 1890. Had issue : Elizabeth Pitfield Brown, born 25 day, 2 mo., 1837, married, 21 day, 5 mo., 1867, Edward Balderston (they had two children, John B. Balderston, born 4 day, 11 mo., 1874, died 3 day, 9 mo., 1877, and Anne Balderston) ; Robert Pitfield Brown, born 21 day, 11 mo., 1838, died 17 day, 8 mo., 1839; Sarah Williams Brown, born 21 day, 5 mo., 1840, married, 16 day, 3 mo., 1865, William Balderston ; David John Brown, born 2 day, 2 mo., 1842, married (1st) 13 day, 9 mo., 1871, A. M. Headley, (2d) 2 day, 9 mo., 1877, Anne Emlen Bangs ; Rebecca Folwell Brown, born 9 day, 5 mo., 1843, married, 2 day, 11 mo., 1867, John Kirkbride Hulme ; Robert Pitfield Brown, born 12 day, 6 mo., 1845, married (1st) 15 day, 10 mo., 1868, Mary R. Tatnall, (2d) 24 day, 11 mo., 1886, Mary Burr Willitts ; Anna Brown, born 16 day, 3 mo., 1847, married, 16 day, 6 mo., 1891, Henry Newell Hoxie ; William Henry Brown, born 16 day, 8 mo., 1849, died 12 day, 8 mo., 1896.

III. Benjamin Brown, born 30 day, 10 mo., 1754, married Jane Wright in 1802, died in 1817.

IV. David Brown, born 31 day, 8 mo., 1756, died, unmarried, 14 day, 8 mo., 1777.

V. Sarah Brown, born 27 day, 11 mo., 1758, married, 4 day, 5 mo., 1781, Samuel Allen, died 20 day, 1 mo., 1795.

VI. Mary Brown, born 8 day, 1 mo., 1761, died 18 day, 8 mo., 1777.

VII. Charles Brown, born 27 day, 8 mo., 1762, married, 12 day, 5 mo., 1784, Charlotte Palmer.

VIII. Elizabeth Brown, born 11 day, 12 mo., 1765, married in 1787, Mahlon Yardley, died 22 day, 1 mo., 1824.

IX. Joseph Brown, born 25 day, 5 mo., 1768, married, 27 day, 10 mo., 1794, Mary Butcher, died 8 day, 11 mo., 1823.

ELIZABETH STEVENSON FIELD.

Elizabeth Stevenson Field, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Stevenson) Field, born 1 day, 9 mo., 1732, married George Brown in 1752, at Middletown Friends' Meeting. George Brown was a brother of John Brown, and a widower, having been previously married to Martha Worrel, 5 day, 3 mo., 1747.

George and Elizabeth Brown's children were :

I. Martha Brown, born 9 day, 12 mo, 1753-4, married Isaac Barnes.
II. George Brown, born 16 day, 12 mo., 1755.
III. Ann Brown, born 29 day, 12 mo., 1757, married William Dean.
IV. Mercy Brown, born 25 day, 3 mo., 1760, married Thomas Matier.
V. Thomas Brown, born 20 day, 9 mo., 1767, married Elizabeth Knight.
VI. Sarah Brown, } twins, born 7 day, 12 mo., 1764.
VII. Elizabeth Brown, }
VIII. Susannah Brown, born 10 day, 1 mo., 1767.
IX. William Brown.

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